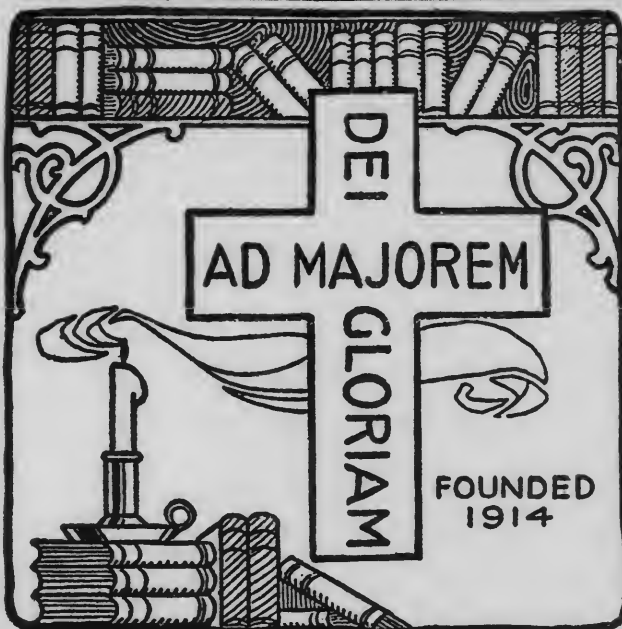


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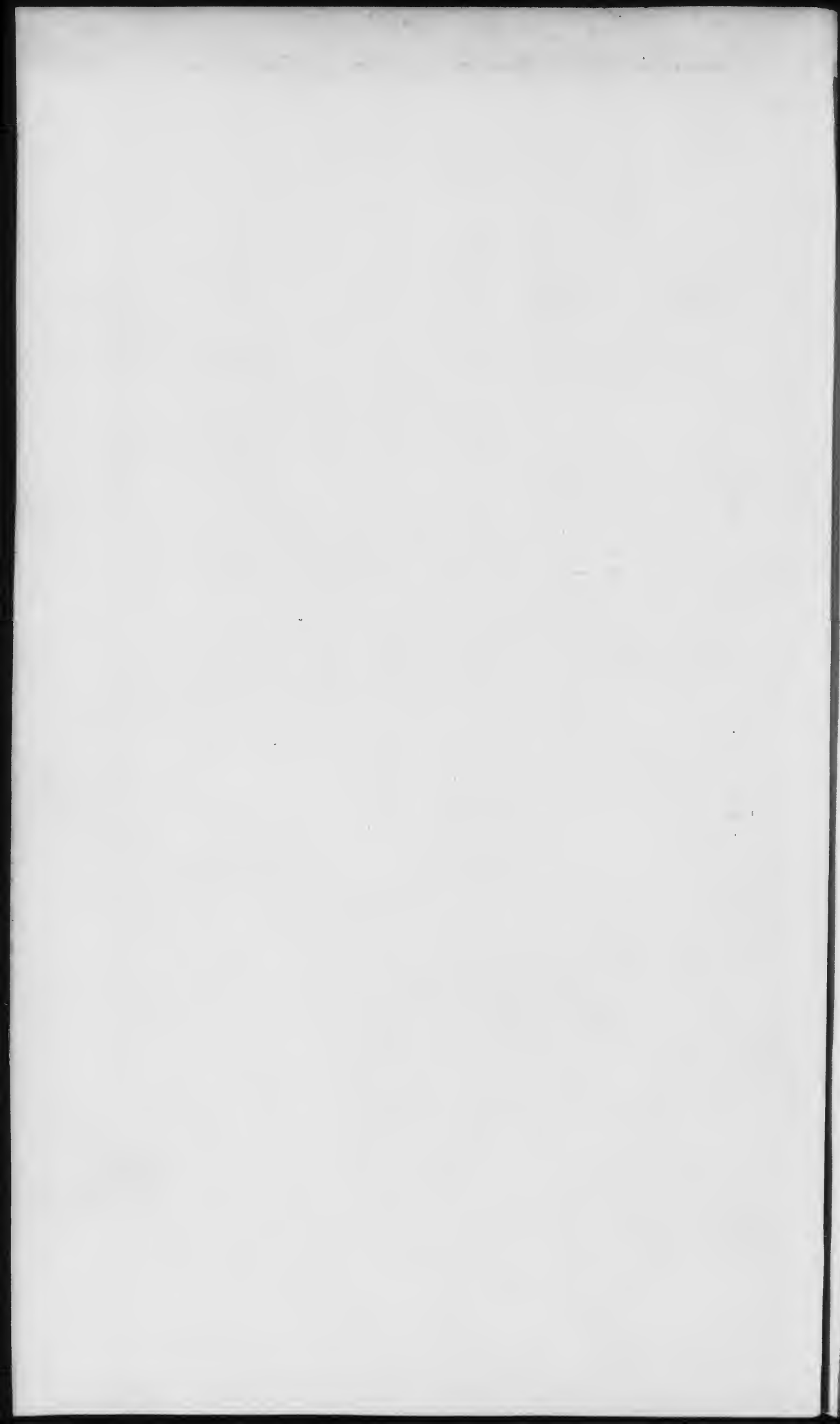
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❖PROCEEDINGS❖

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❖EIGHTY-FIFTH SESSION❖

—OF THE—

Mississippi & Annual & Conference.

FIRST DAY.

HATTIESBURG, MISS., DEC. 29, 1898.

The Eighty-Fifth Session of the MISSISSIPPI ANNUAL CONFERENCE of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, met in the Public School Building, in Hattiesburg, December 29, 1898, Bishop Charles Betts Galloway, presiding.

The Bishop conducted the religious services by reading II Timothy II chapter; the Conference sang Hymn 228, and the Bishop led in prayer.

C. G. Andrews, Secretary of the last Conference, called the roll, and the members opposite whose names there appears a (p) were present:

R. A. Sibley, (p) J. A. B. Jones, (p) A. B. Nicholson, W. B. Hines, (p) E. A. Flowers, H. P. Lewis, (p) J. A. Vance, W. B. Lewis, (p) N. B. Young, C. G. Andrews, (p) E. H. Mounger, (p) I. B. Robertson, (p) W. W. Hurst, (p) W. L. C. Hunnicutt, (p) R. B. Downer, (p) F. M. Williams, (p) P. Howard, R. D. Norsworthy, (p) J. W. Sandell, D. P. Bradford, (p) J. S. Parker, D. G. W. Ellis, J. H. Evans, C. McDonald, (p) J. H. Holland, (p) J. W. McLaurin, R. J. Jones, (p) R. Bradley, (p) D. C. Langford, (p) T. B. Hollo-  
man, (p) C. D. Cecil, (p) C. A. Powell, (p) B. F. Jones, B. S. Rayner, (p) W. W. Simmons, (p) J. P. Drake, (p) I. W. Cooper, H. R. Caldwell, T. W. Brown, (p) G. Bancroft, L. Carley, (p) I. L. Peebles, (p) W. W. Cammack, (p) J. T. Nicholson, (p) J. W. Chambers, (p) L. P. Meador, E. F. Edgar, (p) J. M. Pugh, (p) A. D. Miller, (p) L. J. Jones, D. F. Guice, T. W. Adams, (p) R. F. Witt, J. W. Brown, (p) J. W. Harmon, (p) W. G. Backus, (p) H. W. Featherstun, (p) T. L. Mellen, (p) M. H. Moore, (p) B. F. Lewis, (p) A. F. Watkins, (p) H. D. Howell, (p) L. S. Jones, (p) W. W. Morse, V. V. Boone, R. S. Gale, (p) R. Selby, (p) M. L. Burton, (p) N. B. Harmon, (p) J. M. Morse, (p) G. H. Galloway, (p) W. L. Linfield, R. A. Breland, (p) W. H. Huntley, (p) J. N. Ware, (p) J. M. Cowan, (p) F. M. Keen, (p) J. G. Cammack, (p) J. D. Crymes, B. H. Rawls, (p) J. G. Galloway, (p) W. G. Forsythe, (p) H. M. Ellis,

W. M. Sullivan, (p) R. H. Barr, J. T. Leggett, (p) H. Mellard, (p) H. C. Brown, (p) C. W. Crisler, W. M. Stevens, (p) H. L. Norton. P. H. Howse, G. H. Thompson, (p) B. W. Lewis, (p) M. L. White, (p) J. C. Ellis, J. W. Tinnin, G. A. Guice, (p) W. J. Ferguson, (p) J. W. Crisler, (p) H. B. Trevilion, (p) G. R. Ellis, (p) J. T. Abney, W. J. Dawson, (p) W. T. Griffin, (p) C. C. Evans, (p) H. B. Vandenberg, (p) T. J. Norsworthy, J. M. Weems, (p) G. W. Ferrer, R. W. Bailey, (p) H. J. Harris, F. B. Ormond, (p) J. N. Tucker, (p) H. W. VanHook, C. M. Crossley, (p) R. E. Rutledge, (p) P. D. Hardin, (p) G. W. Huff, W. M. Williams, (p) W. W. Moore, (p) A. T. Bell, (p) W. C. Black, (p) A. H. Shannon, C. F. Emery, (p) J. D. Ellis, (p) M. M. Black, (p) J. A. Moore, H. G. Hawkins, (p) D. Scarborough, (p) E. E. Langford, H. M. DuBose, J. E. Riddle.

The following roll of the lay members was called and those opposite whose names there appears a (p) were present:

SEASHORE DISTRICT.

MEMBERS—T. M. Evans, A. J. Clark, S. J. Johnson, A. P. Cox, (p).

ALTERNATES—None.

FOREST DISTRICT.

MEMBERS—W. M. Thornton, G. B. Harper, (p).

ALTERNATES—D. T. Myers, D. S. Harmon.

VICKSBURG DISTRICT.

MEMBERS—T. A. Holloman, Thos. Mount, R. C. Bethea, W. J. Bell, (p).

ALTERNATES—None.

MERIDIAN DISTRICT.

MEMBERS—L. P. Brown, (p) T. P. Bell, (p) S. B. Watts.

ADTERNATES—T. C. Harmon.

NATCHEZ DISTRICT.

MEMBERS—H. B. McGehee, (p) T. M. Carter, J. R. Whittington, D. F. Ashford.

ALTERNATES—None.

JACKSON DISTRICT.

MEMBERS—R. S. Rickets, R. W. Millsaps, C. L. Ray, R. F. Brown, (p).

ALTERNATES—None.

BROOKHAVEN DISTRICT.

MEMBERS—I. M. Eagan, W. C. Vaught, A. C. McNair, J. E. Carruth.

ALTERNATES—None.

C. G. Andrews was elected Secretary with the following assistants, viz: J. A. B. Jones, G. H. Galloway, J. T. Leggett, J. G. Galloway, C. F. Emery, H. G. Hawkins,

The hours of 9 A. M., and 12:30 P. M., respectively, were fixed as the hours of meeting and adjournment.

The following Standing Committees nominated by the Presiding Elders, were appointed, viz :

#### STANDING COMMITTEES.

ON PUBLIC WORSHIP—C. A. Powell, I. L. Peebles, J. S. Turner.

ON MEMOIRS—W. W. Morse, R. S. Gale, J. N. Ware, P. D. Hardin, J. T. Nicholson, B. F. Lewis, N. B. Harmon.

ON STATE OF THE CHURCH—I. M. Eagan, J. M. Cowan, M. M. Black, H. W. VanHook, P. H. Howse, T. P. Bell, W. H. Huntley.

ON BIBLE CAUSE—J. E. Carruth, C. L. Ray, D. F. Guice, W. T. Griffin, A. A. Breckenridge, A. H. Morse, Wesley Ramsey.

ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE—W. C. Vaught, B. F. Lewis, G. M. Hull, A. D. Miller, D. C. Langford, H. G. Hawkins, W. G. Forsythe.

ON TEMPERANCE—W. M. Williams, L. S. Jones, B. S. Rayner, H. M. Ellis, D. P. Bradford, S. B. Watts, C. F. Emery.

ON PUBLISHING INTERESTS—A. C. McNair, R. W. Millsaps, J. W. Crisler, L. Carley, I. B. Robertson, G. H. Thompson, J. P. Drake.

ON DISTRICT CONFERENCE RECORDS—R. Selby, R. E. Rutlege, W. W. Moore, W. J. Bell, G. B. Harper, L. P. Brown, H. B. Trevilion.

ON CONFERENCE RELATIONS—C. McDonald, F. M. Williams, T. B. Holoman, W. G. Backus, J. H. Foreman, C. D. Cecil, T. W. Brown.

The Secretary read the following and presented the Gavel to Bishop Galloway:

HARRISTON, DEC. 26, 1898.

*To the Mississippi Conference:*

BRETHREN :—The Historian of Mississippi Methodism has established as an historical fact that the first Mississippi Conference was held at the residence of Rev. Newit Vick, near Spring Hill meeting house, in Jefferson county, Mississippi, Nov. 1, 1813 with Rev. Samuel Sellers, presiding elder, President, and Rev. William Winans, Secretary. A familiarity with the locality coupled with a desire to perpetuate these old memories, induced me this fall to prepare a Souvenir from there, as a gift to the Mississippi Conference, to constantly keep alive in the breast of its members, the time and place of its humble birth. From tough, young hickories I have made this Gavel, to be kept with the Conference archives, with a request that Dr. Andrews, Secretary and his successors in office in perpetuity annually have said Gavel at the Mississippi Conference for the use of the Bishop who may preside over its session. Hoping and praying that the ensuing session of the Conference may be pleasant and harmonious and that each preacher may get the desired appointment believe me Yours, &c,

E. R. JONES.

The Bishop responded happily. The Secretary was instructed to communicate the appreciation of the Conference to brother E. R. Jones.

The following were introduced to the Conference, viz : W. C. Everett representing the Publishing House at Nashville; Rev. E. J. Curry, pastor of the Presbyterian church in this city, and Rev. L. S. Lagrone, of the North Mississippi Conference.

Reports were presented and referred without reading as follows: from the Publishing House to the Committee on Publishing Interests; from the Epworth League to the Conference Epworth League Board; from the S. S. Board to the Conference Sunday School Board; from the Home Mission Society to the Missionary Board.

Question twenty was called: "Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?"

The following, who are the presiding elders of the seven districts were called; each gave an account of his district and was passed, viz: E. H. Mounger, of the Vicksburg District; W. W. Simmons, of the Forest District; C. G. Andrews, of the Meridian District; R. D. Norsworthy, of the Jackson District; C. A. Powell, of the Seashore District; J. M. Weems, of the Brookhaven District; W. L. C. Hunnicutt, of the Natchez District.

The following were passed and referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for the supernumerary relation, viz: J. W. Sandell.

The following were passed and referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for the superannuated relation, viz: A. B. Nicholson, E. A. Flowers, G. Bancroft, J. W. Harmon, J. A. Vance, H. R. Caldwell, J. H. Evans, R. A. Sibley, N. B. Young, W. B. Hines, J. M. Pugh, P. Howard, D. G. W. Ellis, L. P. Meador, R. W. Downer, T. B. Brown.

Question two was called: "Who remain on trial?" The following having stood approved examinations, were passed and advanced to the class of second year, viz: H. J. Moore, H. A. Gatlin, L. E. Alford, M. A. Thurman. The following not having stood approved examinations, were continued in class of the first year, viz: Jno. J. Golden, G. S. Harmon.

Question Eight was called: "What traveling preachers are elected deacons?" W. A. Terry was passed and was continued in the class of the second year, not having been before the Committee of Examination.

Question Seven was called: "Who are the deacons of one year?" T. B. Cottrell having stood an approved examination was advanced to the class of the fourth year. The following were passed and were continued in the class of the third year, not having stood an approved examination, viz: R. L. Phillips, J. H. Foreman, R. A. Sibley, Jr., C. M. Crossley, J. C. Ellis, G. W. Huff, H. C. Brown.

Question Twelve was called: "What traveling preachers are elected Elders?" The following having stood approved examinations were elected, viz: J. D. Ellis, R. E. Rutledge, W. W. Moore, W. M. Williams, R. H. Barr, D. Scarborough.

The following was continued in the class of the fourth year, having not stood an approved examination, viz: H. B. Trevilion.

President J. W. Beeson, of the East Mississippi Female College read a report of his institution which was referred to the Board of Education.

President Beeson addressed the Conference about his college.

The following was read and referred to the Board of Education, viz:

WHEREAS, it is feared that the present administration of the East Mississippi Female College is objectionable in several particulars, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Education be instructed to inquire into the matter and report to this session of the Conference, signed

H. W. FEATHERSTUN,  
A. T. BELL.

The Tenth question was called: "What local preachers are elected deacons?" The following being properly certified by their respective districts were elected, viz: from the Jackson District, Wm. E. M. Brogan; from the Forest District, James M. Corley, Geo. W. Huddleston, Wm. P. Donnell, James E. Williams; from the Meridian District, Lewis F. Alford, Thomas J. O'Neal, Frederick L. Crowson; from the Brookhaven District, Luke E. Alford.

Amos Kendall was recommended from the Brandon District, but was not elected.

The Fourteenth question was called: "What local preachers are elected Elders?" And there were no recommendations.

Question Six was called: "Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?" W. H. Lewis, from the St. Louis Conference and J. E. Carpenter from the East Texas Conference both in elders orders.

Question Twenty was resumed. "Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?" The following were examined and passed,



viz: J. M. Cowan, A. F. Watkins, W. W. Cammack, H. W. VanHook, W. T. Griffin, W. G. Backus, C. C. Evans, W. W. Hurst, J. G. Galloway, L. Carley, G. A. Guice, J. N. Ware, A. D. Miller, J. G. Cammack, H. M. Ellis, R. J. Jones, B. W. Lewis, B. F. Lewis, R. Bradley, T. L. Mellen, F. M. Williams, L. S. Jones, H. L. Norton, J. W. Brown, A. H. Shannon, J. A. Moore, W. C. Black, R. W. Bailey, W. M. Sullivan, W. L. Linfield, L. J. Jones, P. D. Hardin, P. H. Howse, I. B. Robertson, W. M. Stevens, D. P. Bradford, M. L. White, H. P. Lewis, D. C. Langford, H. M. DuBose.

The name of J. E. Riddle was called and it was announced that he had referred to go to the work assigned him by the last Conference. C. G. Andrews moved that he be suspended from the ministry. The session was prolonged to dispose of this question. On motion the considering of the case was postponed.

The Committee on Public Worship, announced that J. T. Nicholson would preach at 3 p. m., and T. L. Mellen, at 7 p. m. to-day.

The long meter doxology was sung and the Conference adjourned with the benediction by J. M. Pugh, at the request of the Bishop.

## SECOND DAY.

HATTIESBURG, MISS., DEC. 30, 1898.

The Conference met at 9 a. m., Bishop Galloway in the chair.

The religious services were conducted by T. W. Brown.

The roll was called and the following, in addition to those present on yesterday answered to their names, viz: N. B. Young, J. S. Parker, D. G. W. Ellis, J. W. McLaurin, B. F. Jones, L. P. Meador, L. J. Jones, R. F. Witt, W. W. Morse, V. V. Boone, J. D. Crymes, H. M. Ellis, R. H. Barr, H. L. Norton, P. H. Howse, J. C. Ellis, J. W. Tinnin, J. T. Abney, T. J. Norsworthy, H. W. VanHook, G. W. Huff.

The following laymen, not present on yesterday, answered to their names, viz: from Seashore District, T. M. Evans, A. J. Clark, S. J. Johnson; from Forest District, W. M. Thornton; from Vicksburg District, Thomas Mount; from Meridian District, S. B. Watts; from Jackson District, R. W. Millsaps; from Brookhaven District, A. C. McNair.

On the Forest District, D. T. Myers and D. S. Harmon alternates were recognized as principals and present in place of I. Miller and A. A. Breckenridge absent.

The Minutes of yesterday were read, amended and approved.

The following were introduced to the Conference viz: Dr. J. H. Pritchett, one of the Missionary Secretaries; Dr. J. B. Hammond, Secretary of the Board of Education; Rev. R. H. Barr, pastor of the Presbyterian church in Biloxi; Dr. W. B. Murrah, president of Millsaps College; Rev. D. L. Hall, pastor of the Baptist church, in Hattiesburg; Pres. L. T. Fitzhugh, of Belle Haven College; Miss Pauline Stafford, representing the Home Missionary Society; Prof. Phillips, Superintendent of Education, in Hattiesburg.

The report from Millsaps College was read and referred to the Board of Education.

A communication from the Missionary Secretaries was read and referred to the Board of Missions.

J. D. Ellis was appointed to secure subscriptions to the Review of Missions.

By nomination of the Presiding Elders, the Conference elected the following as the Committee on Recommendation for Admission, viz: R. Selby, D. P. Bradford, G. H. Thompson.

The following was adopted;

Resolved, That the Joint Board of Finance and other Boards whose duty it is to distribute amounts raised among the Districts of this Conference be instructed to apportion the same to the several districts in proportion to the amount paid for pastoral support in each district this year.

signed, W. L. C. HUNNICUTT.  
C. F. EMERY.



Question Twenty was resumed: "Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?" The following were examined and passed, viz: H. W. Featherstun, H. G. Hawkins, G. H. Galloway, G. H. Thompson, H. Mellard, J. T. Leggett, W. J. Ferguson, J. T. Nicholson, C. D. Cecil, A. T. Bell, I. W. Cooper, C. F. Emery, J. H. Holland, G. R. Ellis, J. P. Drake, W. G. Forsythe, W. H. Huntley, I. L. Peebles, N. B. Harmon, W. J. Dawson, B. F. Jones, J. A. B. Jones, H. M. DuBose, B. H. Rawls, J. W. Tinnin, J. M. Morse, V. V. Boone, W. B. Lewis, J. D. Crymes, J. S. Parker, C. McDonald, W. W. Morse, T. W. Adams, H. D. Howell, R. Selby, J. W. Chambers, J. W. McLaurin, M. L. Burton, T. B. Holloman, J. T. Abney, R. S. Gale, R. F. Witt, B. S. Rayner, E. F. Edgar, R. A. Breland, D. F. Guice, M. M. Black, M. H. Moore, J. W. Crisler, J. N. Tucker.

J. N. Tucker addressed the Conference on the Indian Mission to which he had been appointed.

The name of F. M. Keen was called, and he himself asked a committee of investigation of certain rumors against him.

J. W. Chambers, President of the Whitworth Female College read a report of his institution which was referred to the Board of Education.

The Bishop announced the following as the Committee of Investigation in the case of F. M. Keen, viz: R. J. Jones, T. B. Holloman, W. H. Huntley.

Question Twelve was resumed: "What traveling preachers are elected Elders?" H. B. Vandenberg having stood an approved examination, was passed and elected. T. J. Norsworthy was passed, and continued in the class of the fourth year, not having stood an approved examination.

F. B. Ormond's name was called, and it was announced that he had not gone to the work appointed him. He made a statement of the circumstances of his case, promised faithfulness in future, and the Conference passed his character. He was continued in the class of the fourth year, not having stood an approved examination.

The Committee on Conference Relations, made their report which was adopted, recommending the granting of the Supernumerary and Superannuated Relations, as follows, viz:

Question Seventeen: "Who are Supernumerary?" J. W. Sandell.

Question Eighteen: "Who are Superannuated?" A. B. Nicholson, E. A. Flowers, Geo. Bancroft, J. W. Harmon, J. A. Vance, H. R. Caldwell, R. A. Sibley, J. H. Evans, N. B. Young, W. B. Hines, J. M. Pugh, P. Howard, D. G. W. Ellis, L. P. Meador, T. W. Brown, R. B. Downer.

R. B. Downer made an address to the Conference on his life and labors. A hymn was sung, and the members rejoiced in shaking hands with him.

C. G. Andrews made the following report of printing Minutes.

C. G. Andrews, Secretary in acct. with the Mississippi Conference for printing Minutes of Session 1897 and for other purposes,

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To printing 3000 copies of Minutes.....	\$ 134 30
" Amt. paid for express on Minutes.....	27 08
" Postage on Minutes.....	3 66
" E. F. Emery paid for pad on Type Writer.....	2 00
" Paper for Type Writer.....	50
" Express on Minutes to General Conference.....	45
" Barbee & Smith's bill for binding Conference Records.....	2 00
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By balance from last settlement.....	\$ 9 50
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Dr. Hammond, Secretary of the Board of Education, addressed the Conference.

The Committee on Public Worship announced that R. Bradley would preach at 3 p. m., and H. M. DuBose would speak on Epworth Leagues at 7 p. m. to-day.

The long meter doxology was sung and the benediction was pronounced by R. B. Downer at the request of the Bishop.

### THIRD DAY.

HATTIESBURG, MISS., DEC. 31, 1898.

The Conference met at 9 a. m. Bishop Galloway presiding.

The religious services were conducted by J. M. Pugh.

On motion of J. A. B. Jones, the calling of the roll was dispensed with during the remainder of the session.

A communication from Dr. J. B. Hammond, Secretary of the Board of Education, was referred to the Board of Education.

Question One was called: "Who are admitted on trial?" The following having been properly recommended by their respective districts, and having stood approved examinations were admitted, viz: from the Jackson District, J. W. Campbell, R. L. Webb; from the Forest District, Walter L. Blackwell; from the Meridian District, Lewis F. Alford, Thos. J. O'Neal, Frederick L. Crowson.

The Committee of Investigation in the case of F. M. Keen, brought in their report which was adopted as follows:

*To the Bishop and Members of the Mississippi Conference:*

The Committee appointed to investigate certain matters concerning the conduct of F. M. Keen, would report that a trial is necessary, and that W. H. Huntley has been appointed to prosecute the case.

Signed R. J. JONES,  
T. B. HOLLOMAN,  
W. H. HUNTLEY.

Dec. 31, 1898.

Bishop Galloway on behalf of the Conference, presented the Secretary, C. G. Andrews, with a beautiful type-writer in an appropriate speech. The Secretary responded expressing his appreciation.

On motion of J. M. Pugh, R. B. Downer was requested to furnish a sketch for publication in the New Orleans Christian Advocate, of his life and labors as he presented them on yesterday.

Question Four was called: "Who are admitted into full connection?" The following having stood approved examinations and having been in the traveling connection two successive years, were brought before the chair, were addressed by the Bishop, answered satisfactorily the questions of the Discipline, and were admitted, viz: Geo. P. McKeown, John A. Moore, George M. Hull.

C. G. Andrews presented resolutions about the claims of the Publishing House against the United States, which were referred to the Committee on Publishing Interests.

H. W. Featherstun read the report of the Special Committee on College Correlation, which was referred to the Board of Education.

Question Sixteen was called: "Who are located this year?" Ephraim E. Langford, a deacon of one year, was passed and located at his own request.

The case of James E. Riddle, was resumed. A letter was read from him, expressing great sorrow for his conduct and asking that the Conference grant him a location.

T. L. Mellen moved, as a substitute for the pending question, when this case was postponed, that the name of J. E. Riddle be dropped from the roll.

C. G. Andrews asking to withdraw his former motion to dismiss J. E. Riddle from the ministry, now moved that in consideration of his repentance, that his character be passed, and that he be located at his own request which motion prevailed.

Question Sixteen was resumed: "Who are located this year?" James E. Riddle in Elders orders at his own request.

J. W. Chambers, Chairman of the Joint Board of Finance, came before the Conference announcing that \$150 00 was necessary to meet the claims of the Conference beneficiaries, whereupon the sum of \$86.00 was raised for that purpose.

A. F. Watkins, read the following which was adopted as

#### REPORT NO. 1 OF BOARD OF EDUCATION.

*To the Bishop and Members of the Mississippi Annual Conference:*

DEAR BRETHREN: Your Board of Education present this, their report No. 1:

In regard to the resolution referred to us touching the management of East Mississippi Female College, we beg to report that after thorough investigation of all matters connected therewith, and full explanations had, and all differences composed, we deem no further action in regard thereto, necessary. Respectfully submitted,

A. F. WATKINS,

B. F. LEWIS, Secretary.

The Bishop announced the following as the Committee of Trial in case of F. M. Keen, viz: C. McDonald, B. S. Rayner, A. D. Miller, M. H. Moore, J. M. Morse, H. L. Norton, G. A. Guice, W. W. Hurst, L. Carley, with A. F. Watkins as Chairman and C. F. Emery, Secretary.

J. M. Pugh offered a resolution asking that the Publishing House at Nashville, be instructed to print tracts for gratuitous distribution, which was referred to the Committee on Publishing Interests.

A paper signed by G. H. Thompson and others proposing the publication of a Conference Organ, in Jackson, after the expiration of the present arrangement with W. C. Black, was read and referred to the Committee on Publishing Interests. W. C. Black addressed the Conference against the publication of another Conference Organ.

The following list of the various Boards of the Conference prepared by the Bishop and Cabinet was read and adopted for the four years next ensuing, viz:

#### BOARD OF MISSIONS.

H. W. VanHook, W. L. Linfield, D. P. Bradford, H. P. Lewis, J. W. McLaurin, T. W. Adams, T. B. Holloman, J. W. Ratliff, J. L. Evans, T. H. Selby, J. Heard Ledyard, J. P. Carter, A. C. McNair, E. A. Enochs.

#### BOARD OF EDUCATION.

A. F. Watkins, H. G. Hawkins, W. M. Stevens, H. M. Ellis, W. H. Huntley, C. McDonald, W. W. Moore, E. S. Drake, R. W. Millsaps, F. B. Woodley, D. W. Heidelberg, L. N. Dantzler, W. C. Wilkinson, M. H. Wilkinson.

#### BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION.

L. S. Jones, R. W. Bailey, W. M. Sullivan, J. T. Leggett, J. P. Drake, W. M. Williams, J. T. Abney, T. A. Holloman, C. L. Ray, Irvin Miller, Sam H. Floyd, T. M. Evans, J. E. Carruth, H. B. McGehee.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD.

W. T. Griffin, J. D. Ellis, D. Scarborough, A. T. Bell, H. B. Trevilion, W. W. Morse, J. W. Crisler, Thomas Mount, W. A. Gunning, G. B. Harper, W. D. Hawkins, R. H. Magruder, S. Hibbert, A. Trimble.

## EPWORTH LEAGUE BOARD.

C. C. Evans, W. B. Lewis, I. B. Robertson, W. J. Ferguson, J. E. Carpenter, V. V. Boone, R. A. Breland, H. H. Crisler, Gordon Patton, R. W. Burton, D. G. Mohler, — — Smithenberg, J. Wise, James McClure.

Committee on Recommendation for Admission—Geo. H. Thompson, D. P. Bradford, F. M. Williams.

Committee on Admission on Trial—C. A. Powell, W. L. C. Hunnicutt, L. Carley.

Committee on First Year—Robert Selby, Geo. H. Galloway, M. M. Black.

Committee on Second Year—T. L. Mellen, J. G. Galloway, J. M. Morse.

Committee on Third Year—H. Walter Featherstun, R. J. Jones, W. H. Lewis.

Committee on Fourth Year—E. H. Mounger, C. F. Emery, B. F. Jones.  
A. F. Watkins read the following which was adopted as

## REPORT ON ORPHANS HOME.

*To the Bishop and Members of the Mississippi Conference M. E. Church South, Assembled at Hattiesburg, Miss.*

DEAR BRETHREN: The Board of Directors of the Mississippi Orphan's Home of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, beg leave to submit the following as their annual report:

At the beginning of the present year our building was not completed or furnished.

We now report the building complete, painted inside and out, water works and sewerage attached, and the home partially furnished; all of the lands enclosed by wire fence with barn and shed room sufficient to shelter all of the stock, tools and implements necessary for the Home's use.

We have two acres enclosed for garden purposes.

We have furnished thirty-one beds in the dormitories, and four rooms.

The kitchen has been furnished, and the dining-room and chapel partially furnished.

On the first day of last March the institution was opened for the reception of children, and since that time we have received thirty-nine orphans, thirty-four of whom still remain in the Home.

We have had practically no sickness among our children, and the health is now exceptionally good.

The school was opened with the opening of the Home, and has continued since with the exception of one month's vacation.

In many respects the advancement of the children has been remarkable.

Our children are carried regularly to Sunday School in Water Valley, and remain for the eleven o'clock service.

During the year there have been seven professions of faith and accessions to the church among the children.

Beginning so late in the season it was impossible to make a general crop owing to the fact that our land was not in a state of cultivation, but we were able to gather over three hundred bushels of oats, and three hundred bales of hay for the use of the institution.

We have six head of cattle; one a full blooded Holstein, donated by R. M. Kyle, of Batesville, and one high grade Jersey, donated by Capt. Jno. L. Collins, of Coffeeville.

The other four were purchased for the Home.

We have had the use of the manager's horse during the year free of charge, hence have gone to no expense on this account.

Through the kindness of W. M. Tate, of Como, we have two fine Berkshire and Poland China pigs.

The Home needs about seventy-five or one hundred more beds, these however, may be furnished as the necessity arises.

We will also need additional furnishings in the dining room, school and reception room as the number of inmates increases.

We would express our gratitude to those friends over the State who have so generously donated boxes of bedding and material for clothing.

At your last annual conference our report will show that we had on hand in the treasury.....

North Mississippi Conference.....	\$ 92 30
Mississippi Conference.....	83 09

Total.....	\$ 175 39
We have received since then from the North Mississippi Conference..	\$ 2 220 78
Mississippi Conference, and special.....	1 967 58

Total.....	\$ 4 363 75
Expended as per vouchers on file.....	\$ 4 278 87
Leaving a balance in the hands of the Treasurer of the North Mississippi Conference.....	\$ 59 77
And of the Mississippi Conference.....	\$ 25 11

This does not include any collections for the last thirty days.

We are having published a monthly paper, "Our Home," in which can be found from time to time full information concerning the institution.

We also acknowledge the receipt of donations made to the orphanage through this medium.

Our regular subscription price is twenty-five cents per annum, but we send it free for one year to every person who contributes as much as two dollars to the institution.

The good effect of this paper has already been felt, and we urge the friends of the work to sustain it.

While we shall expect all Methodists in Mississippi to continue their regular contributions to sustain these wards of our church; we deem it advisable that Orphan's day be uniformly and regularly observed through the Conference, and we suggest the first Sunday in April or as soon thereafter as practicable be set apart for this cause; and we also recommend where practical that the Thanksgiving services be held and collections be taken for the support of our institution.

This Orphanage is now a part of Mississippi Methodism, and must have our care and support.

A cordial invitation is here extended to every one who feels an interest in the work to visit and examine our institution.

We would report that the management under M. L. Burton has been eminently successful, and entirely satisfactory, and as an earnest of our confidence in his ability to continue to build up the institution we have re-elected him to this position for the next four years, subject to the appointing power, and we ask that this action be confirmed by the Conference.

We say in conclusion that a good work has been planted, we have much to be thankful for in what has already been accomplished, and we pray for the continued blessings from Him who is the father of the orphan.

We recommend that the Conference fill the vacancies on the Board caused by the expiration of the term of Rev. A. F. Watkins and W. M. Thornton.

J. M. WYATT, Vice Pres. Board.

J. A. BOWEN, Sec'y. Protom.

To fill the vacancies in the Board asked for, Conference re-elected A. F. Watkins and W. M. Thornton.

M. L. Burton, Superintendent of Orphan's Home addressed the Conference.

J. W. Chambers, Chairman, presented the following which was adopted as

#### REPORT OF JOINT BOARD FINANCE.

DEAR BRETHREN: Your Joint Board of Finance presents the following:

By using all diligence, we have been able to meet all claims against this Board, but have not been able to put anything into the Endowment Fund. Our brethren receive so little that it entails great hardship upon them, when a part of that little is withheld. We urge upon the pastorate, faithfulness in the attempt to collect this fund and beg you to take this collection separate from all other collections. The amount raised this year falls \$500 00 short of the amount collected last year. By using the interest money put at our disposal by the Conference Endowment Board, and by the liberality of the brethren, this deficiency has been overcome.

We recommend the continuance of the Quarterly Payment plan and suggest that the 1st Sunday in March be kept as Veteran Day. Let each preacher in charge take his collection at or before that time and forward the same to our Treasurer.

During the year, one of our Claimants, Rev. H. J. Harris, has died.

By order of the Conference we nominate as Trustees of the Conference Endowment Fund the following :

T. L. Mellen, B. F. Jones, C. G. Andrews, R. J. Jones, B. S. Rayner, J. P. Drake and J. W. Chambers.

We have made the following apportionments for the year 1899 :

#### APPORTIONMENTS.

Miss Georgia Stewart.....	\$ 25 00	Rev. H. R. Caldwell.....	150 00
Mrs. Wm. Finn.....	100 00	“ Geo. Bancroft.....	200 00
Mrs. T. Y. Armstrong.....	100 00	“ J. M. Pugh.....	150 00
Mrs. J. M. Williams.....	50 00	Mrs. D. A. Little.....	150 00
Mrs. S. Dawson.....	100 00	“ J. W. Ellison.....	75 00
John Calhoun.....	50 00	Rev. J. H. Evans.....	150 00
Mrs. J. J. Smylie.....	75 00	Mrs. H. D. Berry.....	100 00
“ Laura Price.....	125 00	Rev. R. A. Sibley.....	150 00
“ V. H. Johnson.....	100 00	“ N. B. Young.....	150 00
“ Jos. Nicholson.....	125 00	“ J. A. Vance.....	100 00
“ Matt Calhoun.....	100 00	Mrs. N. M. Clark.....	125 00
“ E. R. Strickland.....	100 00	“ P. Cooper.....	50 00
“ G. M. Gilmore.....	100 00	“ R. S. Woodward.....	100 00
“ D. M. Wiggins.....	75 00	Rev. D. G. W. Ellis.....	200 00
“ J. L. Forsythe.....	100 00	“ P. Howard.....	125 00
“ H. F. Johnson.....	150 00	“ W. B. Hines.....	200 00
“ G. Hawkins.....	50 00	“ L. P. Meador.....	150 00
“ J. M. Gann.....	20 00	Mrs. D. Merchant.....	100 00
Rev. A. B. Nicholson.....	200 00	“ T. S. West.....	100 00
“ E. A. Flowers.....	50 00	“ G. W. Ferrer.....	150 00
Mrs. J. A. Ellis.....	75 00	Rev. R. B. Downer.....	200 00
“ W. E. Ballard.....	100 00	“ T. W. Brown.....	100 00
“ C. C. Watkins.....	20 00		
			\$ 4,965 00

The assessment for Conference Claimants for the year 1899, is \$6,000 00 and is divided among the Districts as follows :

Natchez District.....	\$ 800 00
Vicksburg District.....	800 00
Jackson District.....	950 00
Brookhaven District.....	900 00
Meridian District.....	950 00
Seashore District.....	800 00
Forest District.....	800 00
	\$ 6,000 00

The assessment for Bishops is \$1,300 00 and is apportioned as follows :

Natchez District.....	\$ 175 00
Vicksburg District.....	175 00
Jackson District.....	200 00
Brookhaven District.....	200 00



Seashore District.....	175 00
Meridian District.....	200 00
Forest District.....	175 00
	<u>\$ 1,300 00</u>

We raised on the assessments for Bishops for 1898 :

DISTRICTS.	ASSESSED.	PAID.	OVER PAID.	DEFICIT.
Natchez.....	\$ 200 00	\$ 168 00		\$ 32 00
Vicksburg.....	175 00	176 30	1 30	
Jackson.....	225 00	202 00		23 00
Brookhaven.....	200 00	200 00		
Seashore.....	175 00	175 00		
Meridian.....	225 00	225 37	37	
Forest.....	150 00	123 00		27 00
Total.....		<u>\$ 1,269 67</u>		

This Board calls the attention of our Presiding Elders to ¶ 327. The monies collected for Bishops must be sent to the Treasurer of the Joint Board of Finance. Hereafter this board will not recognize receipts from the agents of the Publishing House. The funds must go through the proper channel. We further suggest that our Presiding Elders fill in the blanks at the Fourth Quarterly Conference as the Discipline directs, so that they may be able to furnish the various boards with some sort of a report in the event of a preacher failing to come to Conference or to send in his reports in due time.

This Board desires that the Presiding Elders shall be ready to report the amounts collected for Bishops by the morning of the second day of Conference.

On the Conference collections we have raised :

DISTRICT.	ASSESSED.	PAID.	DEFICIT.
Natchez.....	\$ 900 00	\$ 435 05	\$ 464 95
Vicksburg.....	800 00	534 95	265 05
Jackson.....	950 00	635 10	314 90
Brookhaven.....	900 00	681 05	218 95
Seashore.....	800 00	601 45	198 55
Meridian.....	950 00	628 30	321 70
Forest.....	750 00	421 83	328 17
	<u>\$ 6,050 00</u>	<u>\$ 3,937 73</u>	<u>\$ 2,112 27</u>

The Seashore and Brookhaven Districts have paid only 75 per cent. of their assessment yet these districts have done better than the others.

The amounts collected are :

From regular collections.....	\$ 3,937 73
From Publishing House.....	690 00
From Conference Endowment Fund.....	372 00
From Public Collection.....	68 10
	<u>\$ 5,067 83</u>

We have expended:

For publishing minutes, 1897.....	\$ 29 00
Stamps, stationery and printing.....	16 00
	<u>\$ 45 00</u>

The following are the amounts paid to Conference Claimants:

NAME.	TO WHOM PAID.	AMOUNT.
Miss Georgia Stewart.....	J. D. Ellis.....	\$ 25 00
Mrs. Wm. Finn.....	J. S. Parker.....	100 00
" T. Y. Armstrong.....	D. C. Langford.....	100 00
" J. W. Williams.....	R. A. Sibley.....	75 00



Mrs. S. Dawson.....	W. M. Thornton.....	100 00
John Calhoun.....	W. M. Thornton.....	50 00
Mrs. J. J. Smylie.....	H. W. Featherstun.....	100 00
" Laura Price.....	W. M. Thornton.....	125 00
" V. H. Johnson.....	A. D. Miller.....	100 00
" Wm. Wadsworth.....	W. M. Thornton.....	50 00
" Jos. Nicholson.....	" " ".....	125 00
" Matt Calhoun.....	" " ".....	125 00
" E. R. Strickland.....	J. M. Morse.....	100 00
" G. M. Gilmore.....	W. M. Thornton.....	100 00
" D. M. Wiggins.....	F. M. Williams.....	100 00
" J. L. Forsythe.....	W. M. Thornton.....	100 00
" H. F. Johnson.....	" " ".....	150 00
" G. Hawkins.....	R. Selby.....	75 00
" J. M. Gann.....	N. B. Young.....	20 00
" Benj. Jones.....	W. M. Thornton.....	31 25
Rev. A. B. Nicholson.....	R. Selby.....	200 00
" E. A. Flowers.....	G. M. Hull.....	50 00
Mrs. J. A. Ellis.....	H. M. Ellis.....	100 00
" W. E. Ballard.....	T. B. Holloman.....	100 00
" C. C. Watkins.....	R. F. Witt.....	20 00
Rev. H. R. Caldwell.....	W. M. Williams.....	150 00
" Geo. Bancroft.....	W. M. Sullivan.....	200 00
" J. M. Pugh.....	self.....	150 00
Mrs. D. A. Little.....	R. D. Norsworthy.....	150 00
" J. W. Ellison.....	R. W. Bailey.....	100 00
Rev. J. H. Evans.....	W. J. Dawson.....	150 00
Mrs. H. D. Berry.....	J. A. Moore.....	100 00
Rev. R. A. Sibley.....	self.....	200 00
" N. B. Young.....	self.....	150 00
" J. A. Vance.....	W. M. Thornton.....	100 00
Mrs. N. M. Clark.....	W. J. Ferguson.....	100 00
" P. Cooper.....	W. M. Thornton.....	50 00
" R. S. Woodward.....	" " ".....	100 00
Rev. D. G. W. Ellis.....	self.....	200 00
" P. Howard.....	J. M. Morse.....	100 00
" W. B. Hines.....	self.....	200 00
Mrs. D. Merchant.....	N. B. Harmon.....	100 00
" T. S. West.....	R. D. Norsworthy.....	100 00
Rev. L. P. Meador.....	self.....	150 00
Mrs. G. W. Ferrer.....	W. M. Sullivan.....	50 00

Total

\$ 4,821 25

J. W. CHAMBERS, Chairman.

W. M. THORNTON, Treasurer, Lake, Miss.

Question Twenty-nine was called: "What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers?" Answer \$6,000.00.

Question Thirty: "What has been collected on the foregoing and how has it been applied?" From all sources \$3,937.73. For application see report of Joint Board of Finance.

Question Thirty-five was called: "What has been contributed for the support of Bishops?" Answer \$1,269.67.

Conference resolved to meet when adjourned, in Memorial Session at 3 p. m., Sunday.

The Bishop appointed R. J. Jones to preside in the memorial Session.

The Committee on Public Worship made the following appointments: At 3 p. m., to-day, W. B. Lewis; at 7 p. m., Missionary address by Dr. J. H. Pritchett on Sunday in Public School Building; at 9 a. m., Love Feast conducted by T. W. Brown; at 11 a. m., Bishop C. B. Galloway followed by ordination of deacons; at 3 p. m., Memorial service; at 7 p. m., C. G. Andrews followed by the ordination of Elders. Methodist church 9:30 a. m., Talk to

Children by T. B. Holloman. Presbyterian church, 11 a. m., Dr. J. H. Pritchett; at 7 p. m., H. M. DuBose. Baptist church 11 a. m., A. F. Watkins; Colored Methodist church, 11 a. m., G. H. Thompson, 3 p. m., Bishop C. B. Galloway; 7 p. m., C. F. Emery; Ellisville, B. S. Rayner; Rawls Springs, H. P. Lewis.

The long meter doxology was sung and the Conference adjourned with the benediction by F. M. Williams at the request of the Bishop.

## FOURTH DAY—MEMORIAL SESSION.

The Conference met pursuant to adjournment at 3 p. m., R. J. Jones in the chair by appointment of Bishop Galloway.

N. B. Harmon conducted the religious services. Prayer was offered by T. L. Mellen.

Question Nineteen: "What preachers have died during the year?" Henry J. Harris and G. W. Ferrer.

W. B. Lewis read the following which was adopted as the

### **Memoir of REV. HENRY J. HARRIS.**

This remarkable man of God died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. A. E. Wyatt, Tampa, Fla., at 12:30 a. m., Jan. 15, 1898. Had he lived till Feb. 1, he would have been seventy-six years old. His daughter's words, in writing of her father, are so true and appropriate that it seems most befitting to reproduce this tribute of affection: "I scarcely know what to tell you of papa's life, only that he never faltered in his Master's work, nor lost faith in his promises. Up to the very last time in which he was able to attend church, which was the first Sunday in December, he gladly filled his place in the house of prayer. His last act of divine service was to administer the sacrament, and at that time he was so happy in the love of Christ that he spoke of the fullness of his blessing to the pastor of the Methodist church at Tampa, Fla. He was taken sick with chill and fever on the second Sunday in December. With occasional slight improvements he grew steadily worse, having several violent convulsions. His mind failed, and he was indeed a perfect child in all save age, although physically strong. He never recognized his loved ones for weeks before the end came. The morning of Jan. 12, he would try to sing, but his words could not be distinguished. That afternoon he was taken with another chill, followed by high fever. He turned on his side, closed his eyes and lips, and fell into a profound slumber, from which it was impossible to wake him. On Thursday night his spirit took its flight to a better land. We longed for a parting word of love and blessing from his dear lips, but none came. He was lonely here on earth without our angel mother, who had trod the rough paths of the world by his side for over fifty-eight years, and who went home to heaven just one year and twenty-seven days before he did. He commenced preaching at the age of seventeen, gave himself up wholly to the itinerancy, and was always happy in the work. Even a few days before he died he expressed a longing to be again engaged in the active work of the Conference. He transferred some years ago to the Texas Conference, and filled fine appointments there for four years. Then, as he expressed it, he became 'homesick for the Mississippi brethren' and came back to live and die among them. We had his body embalmed and sent to Centerville, Miss., to be laid beside mama's. He died so peacefully, so gently, that we scarcely knew when he left us. He was born at Columbia, Miss. Next to his religion he loved his masonry, and his memoranda show that at one time he was an Odd Fellow. Of ten children—five sons and five daughters—only three of each are left to mourn and to miss him. The other four went on before to welcome him home."

Bro. Harris was thoroughly identified with the Mississippi Conference. Its history and his labors are bound up together. For very many years he was the secretary of the Conference. Faithfully and efficiently he served in that capacity. He was a ready scribe. He was quick in conception, rapid in his movements, thoroughly versed in the law and in the terminology of his church—qualifications that fitted him to become, as he did, a most accomplished secretary. The sessions of the Conference were at several times enlivened by pleasant episodes when his brethren, through a chosen spokesman, testified their appreciation of his secretarial services in kindly words and substantial tokens.

Bro. Harris was a most acceptable preacher, at times filling some of the most important positions in the Conference. He served in all positions—presiding elder, station and circuit preacher, and missionary. In all of these he left behind impressions for good. In his earlier days he was eminently successful as a revivalist. A number of men famous in the professional and political ranks of Mississippi's sons were converted under his ministry, and became ministers or useful workers in the vineyard of the Lord. He possessed a peculiar aptness in moving men to immediate action. It is remembered that at a camp meeting, a fine sermon, had been delivered, but it fell without impression upon the people. An earnest and continued effort by the preacher to get persons to indicate a desire for a blessing utterly failed. The occasion seemed to be spiritually lost, and the feeling as cold as an iceberg. Bro. Harris arose and made an exhortation, simple, heartfelt, tearful, and the altar was crowded with weeping penitents. He was especially gifted in bringing poor, perplexed sinners from darkness to light. He was useful in more ways than one. As a boy, he learned the art of printing. He loved his trade, and made it profitable to himself and helpful to others. He had a good, practical knowledge of the laws of his country, and as magistrate and mayor he rendered most valuable service to the neighborhood in which he lived.

He was a most excellent writer. His style was flowing and natural. The reminiscences of early experiences of Methodism, which he contributed at various times to the periodical press, furnished most interesting reading, and were valuable indeed in perpetuating local history. It is a great loss to the church and to secular history that the volume of his life's labors and observations, which he was striving to publish, never saw the light.

Bro. Harris was possessed of a most genial nature and of a most sympathetic heart. He loved his church better than his own life, and his brethren in the ministry were drawn to his heart by most tender and sacred ties. How blessed the thought that these sacred ties, now so ruthlessly torn asunder by death, shall be reunited around our Father's throne, and that the living over again together of our joys and sorrows, of our labors and triumphs, of our sowings and reapings, shall brighten the experiences even of that glorious realm.

C. G. ANDREWS.

P. D. Hardin read the following which was adopted as

#### **Memoir of REV. GEORGE W. FERRER.**

George Washington Ferrer was born in the State of Georgia, on the fifteenth day of March, 1850. His father was a minister in the Baptist church and his mother was a member of the Presbyterian church. Thus the godly training of both father and mother made deep impressions upon him while yet a child, and at the early age of seven years he professed religion and united with his mother's church. After leaving home, and when about the age of twenty-five, he left the church of his early choice and united with the Methodist.

He was licensed to preach in 1884 and the same year was admitted on trial in the Alabama Conference. He was ordained Deacon by Bishop J. C. Keener at the Conference held at Greensboro, 1887, and at Mobile the following year, was given a certificate of location signed by Bishop Hargrove.

In 1891 he was re-admitted in the Mississippi Conference, and at Natchez, in 1892, was ordained Elder by Bishop Granbery.

He served the following appointments in the Miss., Conference: Whitington circuit, '92 and '93; Augusta, '94 and '95; Mount Carmel, '96; Westville, '97, and Clarksburg, '98.

December the seventh, 1886, Brother Ferrer was happily married to Miss Emma E. Johnson, of Melvin, Alabama, who bore cheerfully with him all the hardships and privations of an itinerant preacher's life, and still survives him to mourn her irreparable loss.

During the summer of 1897, Bro. Ferrer's health began to fail, and in September he had a hard spell of fever from which he never fully recovered. In June the following year, he began declining rapidly and in July was compelled to give up his work to another.

Everything that could be done by skilled physicians and the kind and tender hands of friends and loved ones was done for his recovery but to no avail; he grew gradually worse until the end.

The loving attention of the neighbors of all churches was a glowing tribute to the esteem in which they held this man of God.

On Friday and Saturday morning, he seemed perfectly conscious, talking to his wife of his prospects for the future, and repeating favorite and cheering passages of Scripture, and assuring her that all was well. He felt no alarm at the approaching end but was sweetly submissive to the Lord's will.

Saturday afternoon the third day of September, 1898, at forty minutes past three o'clock, surrounded by his wife and children, Bro. Linfield of the Miss., Conference, and some of his friends, our brother beloved, sweetly "fell on sleep" and his pure spirit released from the prison house of clay went to dwell with Christ on high.

A good man, a good preacher, a faithful pastor, has gone to his reward, while his wife and six small children are left behind.

The funeral services conducted by his Presiding Elder, Rev. W. W. Simmons, assisted by Brothers B. F. Lewis and W. L. Linfield, took place on Sunday in the Methodist church of Pelahatchie, Miss., the town in which he lived, at the time of his death, after which his body was laid to rest in the cemetery near by to await the resurrection of the just. He is gone but we shall meet him again where parting will be no more.

Tributes in memory of H. J. Harris were made by J. N. Tucker, J. M. Weems, J. S. Parker, J. H. Holland, I. L. Peebles, R. A. Sibley, Sr., N. B. Young, M. H. Moore.

Tributes to G. W. Ferrer, were made by W. M. Sullivan, N. B. Young, H. C. Brown, J. C. Ellis, W. W. Simmons.

N. B. Harmon read a memoir of Major W. G. Paxton, a prominent layman of the church.

B. F. Lewis read a memoir of Mr. S. S. Cope, a useful layman of the church.

Tributes were made to the deceased laymen by D. C. Langford and N. B. Harmon.

Conference adjourned by singing hymn 902 and the benediction by W. C. Black, at the request of President Jones.

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## FIFTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

HATTIESBURG, MISS., JAN. 2, 1899.

The Conference met at 9 a. m., Bishop Galloway in the chair.

The religious service was conducted by J. D. Crymes.

The Minutes of the Saturday's session were read and approved.

The Minutes of the Memorial Session on Sunday afternoon were also read and approved.

The Bishop announced that on Sabbath morning after sermon by himself on the text: II Tim. 2:19, he ordained local deacons as appears in answer to the question below; the Epistle being read by G. H. Thompson and the Gospel by L. E. Alford; he also announced that on Sunday evening after sermon by C. G. Andrews, text: 1 Cor. 4:2, he ordained traveling Elders as appears in answer to question below, assisted by T. L. Mellen, W. B. Lewis F. M. Williams, the Epistle having been read by T. L. Mellen and the Gospel by W. B. Lewis.

Question Nine: "What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?" Answer. None.

Question Eleven: "What local preachers are ordained deacons?" James M. Corley, William P. Donnell, Lewis F. Alford, Frederick L. Crowson, Lucius E. Alford, Thomas J. O'Neal, George W. Huddleston.

Question Thirteen: "What traveling preachers are ordained elders?" Daniel Scarborough, John D. Ellis, Robert E. Rutledge, Waldo W. Moore, William M. Williams, Robert H. Barr, Harrison B. Vandenberg.

Question Fifteen: "What local preachers are ordained elders?" Answer. None.

N. B. Harmon read the following, which was adopted as

#### REPORT OF BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION.

The Board of Church Extension would respectfully submit the following as their annual report.

The report of the pastors from the several districts show the following receipts for the year:

	ASSESSED.	PAID
Vicksburg .....	\$ 511	\$ 236 60
Meridian.....	511	256 56
Jackson.....	511	241 10
Brookhaven .....	511	246 10
Seashore.....	367	215 15
Natchez.....	370	144 95
Forest.....	340	143 30
Totals	\$3,121	\$1,483 76
By amount from 1897.....		29 02
Total from all sources.....		1,512 78

As compared with the receipts of last year we have a deficit of \$292 45.

Nine of the twelve applications in due form before the Board were approved and aid granted in the sum of \$725. We regret exceedingly that there were not sufficient funds in hand to meet all the demands made upon us. After a careful consideration of each claim represented before us the following appropriations were made:

Bennett Chapel.....	\$ 150 00
Laurel.....	150 00
Gulf Port.....	100 00
Bay St. Louis.....	75 00
Toomsaba.....	75 00
South Side.....	75 00
Centerville.....	50 00
Lenoir's.....	50 00

Total to Churches.....\$ 725 00

To General Board by.....	741 88
Dr. Whisner.....	26 92
To printing minutes.....	9 00
To expense account.....	9 98

The Board was alarmed to learn from several of the pastors that a number of charges within our bounds are seriously hampered by heavy church debts incurred in building. To add to the trouble, some of the buildings have been dedicated, the debt being assumed by certain members of the charge who,



nevertheless hold notes for the deficit. Out of this unlawful method friction has occurred, the charge financially crippled and it some times results in the loss of valuable men to our communion.

Your Board here and now enters its protest against such irregular proceedings and would invoke special attention to paragraph 444 of the Discipline of 1898, to-wit:-

In order more effectually to prevent our people from contracting debts which they are not able to discharge, it shall be the duty of the Quarterly Conference of every Circuit and Station, where it is contemplated to build a house or houses of worship, to secure the ground or lot on which such house or houses are to be built, according to our deed of settlement, which deed must be legally executed; and also said Quarterly Conference shall appoint a judicious committee of at least three members of our church, who shall form an estimate of the amount necessary to build; and three-fourths of the money, according to such estimate, shall be secured before any such building shall be commenced; provided, however, that no house of worship shall be built unless the authority of the Quarterly Conference shall first have been obtained.

In this connection, we request you as far as possible to refrain from asking aid for new buildings until these debts shall have been liquidated, and these distressed charges relieved.

The assessments on the several Districts are as follows:

Vicksburg District.....	\$527 00
Jackson District.....	484 00
Brookhaven District.....	522 00
Meridian District.....	501 00
Seashore District.....	412 00
Natchez District.....	353 00
Forest District.....	349 00

The applications from Ellisville and Gulf Port to the General Board were approved.

#### WOMAN'S HOME MISSION SOCIETY.

The progress in this department of our work which the lamented Dr. Morton, called "the right arm of the Board of Church Extension" is gratifying indeed. We quote from Miss Purnell's annual letter as follows:

By referring to the minutes of our last Conference, November 26, 1898, you will notice the Woman's Home Mission Society in the Mississippi Conference has made encouraging progress the past year, though by far the majority of charges are not yet organized. Receipts for the year 1896 were: \$418.00; for 1897, \$903.00; for 1898, \$1,700.00.

Thus you see the amount for each succeeding year has nearly doubled.

There were 27 needy parsonages when this Society was organized five years ago. Of these 27 eleven have been made comfortable, appropriations having been made to four at the last Home Mission Conference, viz: Raleigh, Chunkey, Roxie, East End Meridian.

The officers for the ensuing year are as follows:

President—Miss Addie Purnell, Jackson, Miss.

Vice-President—Mrs. J. B. Chatfield, Meridian, Miss.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. S. S. Cope, Paulding, Miss.

Second Vice-President—Mrs. A. K. Widney, Bay St. Louis, Miss.

Recording Secretary—Miss Inez Watts, Meridian, Miss.

Treasurer—Mrs. T. B. Holoman, Natchez, Miss.

N. B. HARMON, Secretary.

The following was adopted:

*Resolved*, That we ask the Annual Conference to instruct our pastors to pro rate all collections taken on the assessments in such manner as not to discriminate against any one cause when such collections are not taken for a specified object.

W. M. SULLIVAN,  
H. B. McGEHEE.

The committee in the case of F. M. Keen, submitted the following report:  
*To the Bishop and Members of the Mississippi Conference:*

Your Committee in the case of Rev. F. M. Keen, report as follows: We find him not guilty of immorality as is charged, but guilty of imprudent conduct, of which he makes due confession and that we recommend that his character be passed.

Signed.

W. W. HURST,  
 H. L. NORTON,  
 L. CARLEY,  
 A. D. MILLER,  
 C. McDONALD,  
 B. S. RAYNER,  
 G. A. GUICE,  
 M. H. MOORE,  
 J. M. MORSE,  
 A. F. WATKINS, Ch'n.  
 C. F. EMERY, Sec'y.

The papers in case of the trial including the charges and specifications were handed to the Secretary.

On motion the character of F. M. Keen was passed.

A. F. Watkins Chairman, read the following, which was adopted as

#### REPORT OF BOARD OF EDUCATION.

*To the Bishop and Members of the Mississippi Annual Conference:*

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Your Board of Education beg leave to present this, its annual report:

We have carefully examined the reports presented to us from the various institutions under our care and are gratified at the general tenor of hopefulness and success that marks them.

#### MILLSAPS COLLEGE

It is pleasant to note the continued prosperity and growing influence of this splendid institution. Notwithstanding the business depression existing in our land and the repeated hinderances presented by the fear of a yellow fever epidemic, the college has gone steadily on, growing in the confidence and affections of our people. We wish to express our pleasure at the continuance of the connection of Rev. W. B. Murrah, D. D., with the college as its president. We believe his wise administration of its affairs to be one of the most important elements in the conspicuous success that has marked the history of the school. The loyalty of the student body, the distinguished ability of its professors, and the evident favor with which our people regard the college, give promise of great usefulness.

We recommend the appointment of Dr. J. A. Moore as professor of mathematics, and of W. A. Terry as a student in the institution. In this connection we also recommend the appointment of A. H. Shannon, as a student in Vanderbilt University.

#### WHITWORTH COLLEGE

Large material improvements in the buildings and grounds of Whitworth College have been made during the present year. An admirable faculty is maintained and the attendance during the present session is gratifying to the many friends of the institution. Acting upon the request of the Board of Trustees, we recommend that our brother John W. Chambers, be appointed president and financial agent of the school and we renew to president Chambers, our promise of hearty co-operation with him in his efforts for the advancement of education among the daughters of the church. We would suggest that in our judgment the general canvass of our State at this time for the endowment of the college would be unwise.



## EAST MISSISSIPPI FEMALE COLLEGE.

A gratifyingly large attendance, from our own and neighboring States greeted the opening of this college last fall. The high grade of instruction given and the generally admirable management are such as to entitle the college to the cordial endorsement and generous support of our people.

President Beeson seems peculiarly fitted for the work in which he is engaged and the outlook for the school is most encouraging.

## PORT GIBSON FEMALE COLLEGE.

Our college, located at Port Gibson, under the admirable management of Mrs. M. H. Meek and Miss W. L. Park, is worthy of more general recognition and more liberal support. Notwithstanding the interruptions incident upon fever panics, the school is reported in good condition and we should be very glad to see our people commit their daughters to the religious and literary tuition there afforded.

## EDWARD M'GEHEE COLLEGE FOR GIRLS.

Miss Georgia Swanson, an experienced educator and an accomplished teacher, has for two years been in charge of this school. An increased attendance, improved methods of instruction and a higher standard give promise of the growing usefulness of this institution.

The religious tone of the college is reported as excellent, exerting its influence upon not the inmates of the school only, but the community also.

## PAINE AND LANE INSTITUTES.

An encouraging letter from the president of Paine Institute, has been referred to us. We rejoice in the noble work being done by this school for the uplifting of the colored youth of our section. Our people are committed to the work of the education of the colored race, and we welcome this Institution as presenting us the opportunities of practically demonstrating the sincerity of our professions.

We were pleased to have with us the Corresponding Secretary of the General Board of Education, Rev. J. D. Hammond, D. D., and take pleasure in expressing our cordial endorsement of the great Twentieth Century Educational Campaign inaugurated by the recent General Conference at Baltimore. We recognize the propriety of celebrating the advent of the new century with some monumental work in the interest of Southern Methodism and view with especial pleasure the peculiar fitness of the course of education. We most earnestly exhort all our preachers to magnify this work, giving it the right of way as the special work to which our church has pledged itself and we deem it specially important that a great educational day shall be observed in the interest of this cause. We would suggest the 1st Sunday in October, be set apart as Educational Day. Further details of this campaign will be presented in due time.

The Secretary also called our attention to the proposed co-ordination of our institutions of learning. We most cordially approve the proposed reform and believe that as soon as practicable, definite and positive action should be taken on this line.

We have received this year :

From the Educational Collections.....	\$ 1,011 23
From the Sunday School Board.....	50 00

Making a total of.....	\$ 1,061 23
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Which has been divided as follows:

Millsaps College.....	\$ 792 00
Paine and Lane Institute.....	127 00

General Board.....	115 31
Printing Minutes.....	26 92

Total.....\$ 1,061 23

We report the following as the Educational Statistics :

Number of Institutions.....	5
Value of the property.....	\$ 109,000 00
Endowment.....	\$ 107,000 00
Teachers.....	69
Pupils.....	752

We would respectfully recommend the adoption of the following as the educational assessment upon the Conference for the ensuing year :

For Millsaps College.....	\$ 1,750 00
For Paine and Lane Institutes.....	300 00
For the General Fund.....	272 00

Total.....\$ 2,322 00

The report of the Committee of Five, appointed last year, to devise a system of correlation for our Conference institutions of learning, was referred to us and we would respectfully recommend that, inasmuch as the General Board of Education has undertaken to prepare a scheme for the correlation of the institutions of learning under the control of the M. E. Church, South, that no action in this matter be taken until the results of their labors have been made known.

A. F. WATKINS, President,  
B. F. LEWIS, Secretary.

J. W. Chambers, president of Whitworth Female College, addressed the Conference upon his institution.

Question Forty-four was called: "What are the Educational Statistics?"

#### EDUCATIONAL STATISTICS.

NAME OF INSTITUTIONS.	Value of Property.	Endowment.	Professors.	Pupils.
Millsaps College.....	\$ 70,000	\$ 107,000	12	140
Whitworth Female College.....	70,000		16	175
East Mississippi Female College.....	25,000		26	327
Port Gibson Female College.....	15,000		10	60
Edward McGehee Female College.....	10,000		5	50
	109,000	107,000	69	752

#### NEW BOARD OF EDUCATION.

A. F. Watkins, Chairman; H. M. Ellis, Secretary; R. W. Millsaps, Treasurer.

The following was adopted :

#### RESOLUTIONS ON DEATH OF DR. J. O. KEENER.

WHEREAS, we have this morning heard of the death of Rev. Dr. John O. Keener, the president of the Southern University, in Greensboro, Alabama,

and the son of our venerable and honored Senior Bishop, Jno. C. Keener, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Secretary of this Conference be instructed to communicate to Bishop Keener our profound sorrow at the death of his distinguished son, and our heartfelt sympathy with him in his sad bereavement.

C. G. ANDREWS,  
W. L. C. HUNNICUTT,  
T. L. MELLEN.

G. H. Thompson read the report of the Committee on Publishing Interests.

W. C. Black moved to adopt all that part of the report up to the reference to the New Orleans Christian Advocate which was adopted.

A communication signed by W. B. Lewis, J. A. B. Jones, R. J. Jones, approving the editorial management of the New Orleans Christian Advocate, was accepted and became a part of the report.

A motion was made to strike out of the report all that related to the establishment of a new paper which motion prevailed.

C. G. Andrews moved to substitute the resolutions in regard to the Publishing House which were referred to the Committee on Publishing Interests on Friday, for that part of the report which relates to the Publishing House claim, which substitute, after discussion, was lost by a vote of 68 to 35.

F. M. Williams offered a substitute for the report of the Committee in regard to the Publishing House claim, which did not prevail.

The following as amended was then adopted as the

#### REPORT ON PUBLISHING INTERESTS.

*To the Bishop and Members of the Mississippi Annual Conference:*

DEAR BRETHREN: We, your Committee on Publishing Interests, beg leave to submit the following as our report:

The report of the Book Agents for the fiscal year ending March 31st, 1898, shows a gratifying condition of our Publishing House. Its volume of business was \$336,804.69. Its assets are \$898,858.24. Its liabilities are \$3,313.00. It has distributed to the various conferences \$20,000 for our conference claimants fund.

#### GENERAL ORGAN.

The Nashville Christian Advocate meets the requirements of a general organ for our church, and we heartily endorse the conservative management which Dr. Hoss and his associates have given to the paper.

We deprecate the tendency to localize the general organ by allowing it to become the organ of certain conferences believing such to be foreign to the spirit and purpose of said general organ.

#### METHODIST REVIEW.

We rejoice to know that the Methodist Review has become self-sustaining and now stands the equal of any periodical of its class.

#### MISSIONARY PUBLICATIONS.

We approve the action of our Missionary Secretaries in reducing for a limited time to 25 cents the subscription price of the Review of Missions, and earnestly urge our pastors to use this opportunity to put into every Methodist home this unique and splendid publication.

#### EPWORTH ERA.

We are gratified at the marked improvement in the Epworth Era, and commend its conservative tone and rejoice that its circulation has been swelled in a few months from 4,500 to 13,000.

#### CONFERENCE ORGAN.

*Resolved*, That we heartily approve the editorial management of the New Orleans Christian Advocate, our Conference Organ, and commend it

to our people as a safe and sound exponent of the doctrine and polity of our church and entirely worthy of their patronage.

The report of Dr. W. C. Black, Editor and Publisher of the New Orleans Christian Advocate, shows our Conference Organ to be in good financial condition.

We believe that under present circumstances the circulation of the paper can be largely increased by reducing the subscription price to one dollar, the publisher having stated that the price can be reduced to one dollar provided eight thousand new subscribers are secured.

We recommend and urge that all our pastors and presiding elders use their utmost efforts to extend its circulation.

We recommend that Dr. W. C. Black, be appointed Editor and Publisher, and R. J. Jones, A. F. Watkins and L. Carley be appointed Publishing Committee.

Certain resolutions concerning the Publishing House War Claim, signed by C. G. Andrews and others, having been referred to this committee, by the Conference, we beg leave to report that we have carefully considered the same, and offer the following for your adoption:

WHEREAS, The United States Congress at its last session, after thirty years delay, recognized and paid the just claim of \$288,000 to the M. E. Church, South, for damage, use and occupation of its Publishing House during the war; and afterwards allegations were publicly made and complained of by some Senators that their vote in the Senate was influenced by misleading statements of the Book Agencies with reference to the amount of fee to be paid Mr. E. B. Stahlman, as attorney, for his services rendered in aid of the passage of the bill through Congress; therefore,

*Resolved*, First: That if the agents of the church made any statements which misled Senators into the passage of the bill through the United States Senate, though they declare they had no such purpose, and though such statements did not affect the merits of the claim, we deplore the fact.

*Resolved*, Second: That the public declaration and assurance of our Board of Bishops that if the Senate by affirmative action declares that the passage of the bill was due to such misleading statements, that they would take the proper steps to have the entire amount returned to the government, plants the church on high grounds, and is fully responsive to the utmost demands of reason and the conscience of the church.

*Resolved*, Third: That we approve of this action of the Bishop, and we believe that the settlement of the whole matter had best be left to them and the unrestrained action of the United States Senate which now has it under deliberation.

GEO. H. THOMPSON, Chairman.  
L. CARLEY, Secretary.

B. F. Jones presented the following which was adopted as

REPORT OF TREASURER OF BOARD OF MISSIONS.

B. F. Jones, Treasurer, in acct. with Board of Missions.

DR.

To amount received from Districts for Foreign Missions:

Brookhaven District.....	\$ 846 73
Forest " .....	580 60
Jackson " .....	854 70
Meridian " .....	750 13
Natchez " .....	645 95
Seashore " .....	788 50
Vicksburg " .....	846 55
Total.....	\$ 5,312 76
Anniversary Collection.....	13 45

\$ 5,326 21

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By amt. paid to J. D. Hamilton, Treasurer...	\$ 2,949 60
" " of Receipts from pastors.....	2,360 41
" " to print Minutes.....	13 45
" " " Incidentals.....	2 75
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	\$ 5,326 21

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To amount received from Districts for Domestic Missions:

Brookhaven District.....	\$ 346 40
Forest " .....	235 30
Jackson " .....	385 20
Meridian " .....	377 72
Natchez " .....	287 45
Seashore " .....	356 90
Vicksburg " .....	365 25
Amt. brought over from 1897.....	34 59
Anniversary collection.....	13 05
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	\$ 2,401 86

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By amt. paid Missions.....	\$ 2,339 10
" Office Expense of Conference Secretary.....	17 50
" amt. paid to print Minutes.....	13 46
" amt. paid to Rev. J. W. Brown.....	29 00
Incidental.....	2 20
Cash in Bank.....	60
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	\$ 2,401 86

On motion, Conference resolved to meet this afternoon at 3:30 p. m.

Conference adjourned by singing the long meter doxology, and by the benediction by J. H. Holland at the request of the Bishop.

### FIFTH DAY—Afternoon Session.

HATTIESBURG, MISS., JAN. 2, 1899.

The Conference met at 3:30 p. m., Bishop Galloway in the chair.

The religious service was conducted by F. M. Williams.

The Minutes of the morning session were read and adopted.

T. L. Mellen read a Memorial from the Jackson District Conference relative to the change in the constitution of the Board of Missions, which was not adopted.

H. G. Hawkins read the following which was adopted as

#### REPORT OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD.

*Mr. President and Brethren:*

Your Sunday School Board had on hand at the beginning of the year \$86.47. The proceeds of Children's Day have been \$525.08. From other sources \$13.90.

We have expended upon needy Sunday Schools and in advancing the Sunday School interests generally in our Conference \$380.09; We have paid to the General Sunday School Board \$52.50, being the 10 per cent. required by the Discipline; also \$52.50 to our Annual Conference Board of Education; also \$26.92 for publishing minutes. This leaves on hand \$114.44.

As the present Board retires from office, it has a vision of a boundless field of usefulness. The Discipline says that the 3rd Sunday of May shall be observed as Children's Day, and that the collection taken on that day shall

be used for Christian Education, the aid of needy Sunday Schools, and the advancement of the Sunday School work under the direction of the Annual Conference Sunday School Board. This latter work, the advancement of the Sunday School cause, offers a wonderful field of operation to this Board.

In our efforts to do something in this direction, we, at our last Annual Conference, announced that a Conference Sunday School Convention would be held according to the recommendation of the Discipline. A program was prepared, and this initial gathering of Sunday School workers from all over our Conference was held at Meridian last April, with an enrollment of twenty-five of our preachers and sixty-five other workers. The second gathering will be held at Lumberton, the last week of next March. A program and railroad rates are to be published by March 1. We anticipate from these Conferences of workers, much good to the work at large and especially to the particular regions in which they are held from year to year.

Your Sunday School Board also in the effort to advance the cause, has followed the example of several other Conference Sunday School Boards in publishing and placing into the hands of every pastor and superintendent, a Year Book of Sunday Schools. We trust that this publication in an improved form, will be perpetuated. Its need is evident to us and it is strongly urged by Dr. Atkins, our Sunday School Editor.

We urge the holding of District Sunday School gatherings. We commend the action of those presiding elders who, in the absence of separate gatherings have set apart a day of their District Conferences as "Sunday School Day."

Our Sunday School Editor in his report to this Annual Conference, mentions the fact that throughout our connection, the increase in our Sunday School attendants is less than the natural increase from our membership. To prevent such a condition from prevailing in the Mississippi Conference, let us magnify our Sunday School work. This cause is worthy, that, at our Annual Conference, a whole afternoon or evening be set apart for the hearing of its claims, and that it be not shoved into a corner.

The possibility of this arm of our work is tenfold greater than any result we have yet seen from it. When all of our teachers shall begin to feel the responsibilities of this calling, as a few already feel it, and when they shall begin to equip themselves for it by grace and by study, then may the church prepare to give shout after shout of victory, as she sees the mighty army of the young pressing into her battle line.

In April 1898, "The Sunday School Visitor" was changed to "Children's Visitor." This is now an eight-page paper with attractive illustrations—a weekly delight to our children and grown people as well. The circulation of the weekly and monthly together, has already reached 69,500, and is rapidly increasing. We recommend that its circulation be increased among our schools and by individual subscriptions outside of the schools. We call attention to its adaptibility in attracting children of all classes.

The Home Department is a new feature worthy of our attention. In some Conferences it has already proved its usefulness. In our own Conference it has never been thoroughly worked anywhere. It awaits workmen. We note with pleasure the "Perfection Class Record Book," arranged by Wharton Green, Secretary of the First Church, Jackson Sunday School.

H. G. HAWKINS, Secretary,  
J. WILSON BROWN, Ch'n.  
H. P. LEWIS, Treasurer.

T. L. Mellen read the following which was adopted as

#### REPORT OF CONFERENCE ENDOWMENT.

*To the Bishop and Members of the Mississippi Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South:*

The Trustees of the Conference Endowment Fund of the Mississippi



Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, respectfully report:

1. That as heretofore shown, we had in the hands of our Treasurer, Jan. 1, 1898:

Bonds at 8 per cent. Interest.....	\$ 1,400 00
Bonds at 6 per cent. Interest.....	400 00
Barton Notes (VanHouten Trust).....	400 00
Cash.....	1,978 23

Total Bonds, Notes and Cash.....\$ 4,178 23

2. That our receipts during the year have been as follows:

Interest on Bonds.....	\$ 148 00
Interest on Barton Notes.....	24 00
Interest on \$2,000.00.....	200 00
Part Payment Barton Notes.....	75 00
Cash from J. D. Crymes.....	20 00

Total receipts.....\$ 467 00

3. That because of the great deficit this year in the collection for Conference Claimants, and the number and the needs of the Claimants, we have paid over to the Joint Board of Finance, all the interest received by us during the year, amounting to \$372.00, which we had hoped to add to the principal of our funds.

4. That we now report in the hands of our Treasurer the following amounts:

Bonds at 8 per cent. Interest.....	\$ 1,400 00
Bonds at 6 per cent. Interest.....	400 00
Barton Notes.....	325 00
Cash.....	2,095 00

Total Bonds, Notes and Cash.....\$ 4,220 00

A gain of only \$41.77 during the year.

5. The great deficit in the collection for Conference Claimants, prevented the Joint Board of Finance complying with the order of our last Conference for the payment of the ten per cent. of all collections over to us, to be added to the Endowment Fund. The number and needs of the Claimants are too great and immediate. We trust the collections will be more evenly filled next year. They ought to be full.

6. We have instructed the Treasurer to re-invest the cash on hand promptly, and with sufficient security.

7. The following are the officers for the ensuing year: T. L. Mellen, Pres. B. F. Jones, Vice-Pres't., Jno. W. Chambers, Sec'y and R. J. Jones, Treas.

T. L. MELLEN, Pres't.  
C. G. ANDREWS, Sec'y.

R. W. Bailey read the following which was adopted as

#### REPORT OF BOARD OF EPWORTH LEAGUES.

BRETHREN: The League has made marked progress during the past year. A large number of new leagues have been organized and old ones developed in efficiency and spirituality.

The State League Conference held in Meridian, has given the League special work. The support of a missionary and assistance in the care of our Orphans' Home. We regret that the State Conference has failed to make a special report, and would suggest that such reports be made annually to the Epworth League Boards of the Mississippi and North Mississippi Conferences and that there be co-operation between Conference boards and League Con-



ferences. Unless our young people are trained to realize that connectionalism is essential to all Methodist institutions, harm will result.

We earnestly request the brethren to assist in the circulation of the Epworth Era, under the able management of Dr. DuBose.

H. W. VANHOOK,  
For the Board.

The new Epworth League Board, reported their organization with W. B. Lewis as Chairman and R. R. Smittenberg Secretary.

T. L. Mellen read the following which was ordered to be recorded as

#### REPORT OF BOARD OF MISSIONS.

*To the Bishop and Members of the Mississippi Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South:*

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Our faithful Secretary, the Rev. J. P. Drake, has gone home sick, and this hastily prepared report, is submitted in lieu of the carefully prepared report which he would have presented.

From China, Japan and Korea, from Brazil and Mexico, come cheering tidings of success crowning the efforts of our Missionaries. But from all these fields comes a cry from our over-worked and over-burdened laborers, a cry for more helpers—more preachers and more teachers—more men and more women full of the Holy Ghost and of faith, thoroughly consecrated, and intellectually and physically qualified. Doors are opening everywhere. Opportunities are confronting our Missionaries on every hand. The power of the gospel is being manifested in every land. We ought to go up and possess these lands in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, for we are able.

The late war with Spain has enlarged our privileges and increased our responsibilities. With the establishment of the protectorate over Cuba and the annexation of Porto Rico so close to our South-Eastern shores, and the annexation of Hawaii not far distant from our Pacific coast, and of the far away Philippine Islands in the Orient, opportunities have been given and for which we have long been praying.

And yet our people are slow to respond to these urgent calls; and our contributions are far below our assessments, although the assessments represent the minimum amounts for the work of recovering a lost world—or our part of the great world-wide field. Our contributions for the year just closing are more than six hundred dollars less than those for the preceding conference year. Let us resolve that there shall be no deficit for the coming year.

We call the attention of presiding elders and preachers to ARTICLES XVII and XVIII of the Constitution of the Board of Missions. ART. XVII provides that the presiding elder shall preach on the subject of Missions annually in each charge in his district, and shall conduct with his preachers a missionary institute early in the conference year. ART. XVIII "stresses missionary mass-meetings and the circulation of missionary literature, and lays upon the pastor the obligation of providing for the same."

ARTICLE XVI requires our Treasurer to remit to the Treasurer of the General Board on the first day of each month, all moneys he may have on hand for Foreign Missions. Let us see that he has such money to remit. This will help "save many dollars of interest on money borrowed to meet the current obligations" due our missionaries.

We apportion the assessment for Foreign Missions among our several districts as follows:

Jackson District	.....	\$ 1,355 00
Vicksburg	" .....	1,355 00
Natchez	" .....	1,175 00
Brookhaven	" .....	1,355 00
Forest	" .....	1,175 00
Meridian	" .....	1,355 00
Seashore	" .....	1,265 00
Total	.....	\$ 9,025 00

We regret that once more we have to report a deficit in our Domestic Missionary collections so great that we have been able to pay our brethren in charge of the Missions, only 73½ per cent. of the amount appropriated to them. Yet it is an improvement over last year. The results of their labors more than compensate for the pittance paid them. We trust that the new year may be characterized by more earnest efforts on the part of our preachers to collect the assessments and by prompter and more liberal responses on the part of our people to these pressing demands.

We have assessed the Conference \$4,000, for Domestic Missions, and apportioned the same among the several districts as follows:

Jackson District.....	\$	600 00
Vicksburg ".....		600 00
Natchez ".....		520 00
Brookhaven ".....		600 00
Forest ".....		520 00
Meridian ".....		600 00
Seashore ".....		560 00
Total.....		\$ 4,000 00

We recommend that the Rev. T. L. Mellen be appointed Conference Missionary Secretary, and that the Rev. A. D. Miller be appointed agent of the Choctaw mission, with authority to collect the salaries of interpreters and helpers.

Once more do we commend to the helpful sympathy and co-operation of our ministry the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society and the Woman's Home Missionary Society. We need them in every pastoral charge. And again do we commend and urge the circulation of the Methodist Review of Missions, published at \$1 a year, (to new subscribers only *twenty-five cents*,) the Woman's Missionary Advocate and Our Homes, each published at 50 cents per annum, and the great variety of leaflets and tracts published by our Missionary Secretaries, most of which may be had in any quantity at the cost of a postal card.

W. B. LEWIS, President,  
T. L. MELLEN, Sec'y. pro tem.

H. G. Hawkins read the following which was amended and ordered adopted as

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

*Mr. President and Brethren of the Mississippi Conference:*

If we allow the insidious forces that are now at work to take away from us the Sabbath day, we will have proved utterly false to our trust. If we lose the Sabbath, all is lost. Where the Sabbath is disregarded, the vows of marriage are disregarded, and the domestic relations cease to be held sacred. Violation of the Sabbath means absence from the ordinances of the gospel, and that means a blighting and blasting of faith, and that means the downfall of virtue, and the downfall of virtue means the doom of nations.

In all of those communities of our Conference where any considerable proportion of the population spends the Sabbath in sport or work, our preachers get no audience, people spend their money in vice, the gospel is not supported, and in every instance our churches at such places have to subsist in great part by drawing upon our Missionary Treasury.

Besides the men who are required to run trains upon Sunday, there are numerous others employed on the freight books, in the yards and shops. Then there are cigar, news and soda water stands that are open and frequented on the Lord's Day. We are pained to learn that in South Mississippi, some saw mills are operated upon Sunday; and in different parts of our Conference farmers are getting into the habit of leaving their homes and traveling on the Lord's Day in order to be present at the market on Monday morning.

Your Committee urges our membership to read literature upon this subject, and our pulpits to give a clear sound against these inereeping evils.

Let our ministry and membership also be very guarded in their own goings and comings on the Lord's Day, upon the preservation of which depends the perpetuity and strength of our Christian institutions.

The conference its request that the Presiding Bishop fix the date of the Conference for Thursday, so as to enable all to attend without traveling on Sunday.

We recommend the adoption of the following:

*Resolved, 1:* That the Mississippi Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, assembled this Jan. 2, 1899, in Hattiesburg, Mississippi, do hereby memorialize the next session of the Mississippi Legislature to adopt some measure giving relief from Sunday labor to railroad employees; and our Secretary is hereby directed to inform the Legislature of this, our wish.

*Resolved, 2:* That the Mississippi Conference direct its Secretary to communicate in the early days of the new year with the Mississippi Branch of the Sunday League of America, domiciled at Jackson, urging its officers to take steps looking to the organization of auxiliary Leagues in all the counties.

Respectfully and prayerfully,

H. G. HAWKINS,  
For Committee.

The following was adopted:

#### OBLIGATION TO THE JEWS.

WHEREAS, There are many Jews living within the bounds of our Annual Conference who are without a knowledge of our Christ and for whose salvation but little, if anything, is being done by our church, and

WHEREAS, We owe it to God, to these Jewish neighbors and fellow-citizens, and to ourselves to do our utmost to bring them into the light, and under the power of the gospel of our Lord, therefore, be it

*Resolved,* That we hereby pledge ourselves in future to give our most earnest prayer and diligent effort for the salvation of these descendants of our Lord's chosen people.

H. M. ELLIS,  
A. F. WATKINS.

W. T. Griffin read the following which was adopted as

#### REPORT ON BIBLE CAUSE.

*To the Bishop and Members of the Mississippi Annual Conference M. E. Church, South:*

The Committee on Bible Cause beg leave to report:

Recognizing the importance of the dissemination of the Word of God among our people as an agency in bringing the world to Christ and teaching them the truths of the gospel, we commend the efforts of many of the pastors in this great work, but notice with regret that many charges report nothing for this cause.

When we are reminded that the A. B. S., has discontinued the field District Superintendent, whose business it was to visit and stir up interest in the cause, we should be doubly diligent in pushing this claim, in furnishing the people with the Word, and helping to furnish the Word in foreign fields in the languages of the people. Without which the Foreign Missionary work would be greatly retarded.

Many souls are converted through it where no Missionary has ever been; and the cry for this light of life is greater than ever.

As we now have no regular colporter to furnish Bibles, we would urge each pastor to see to it that all rich and poor are supplied, as they can be secured at cost.

We recommend that the assessment be the same as last year, \$1,000.00, distributed as follows:

Vicksburg District.....	\$ 140 00
Jackson       ".....	150 00
Brookhaven   ".....	150 00
Meridian      ".....	150 00
Seashore      ".....	135 00
Natchez       ".....	140 00
Forest         ".....	135 00

Amount collected this year \$588.70.

W. T. GRIFFIN,  
For Committee.

The following questions were called:

Question Thirty-Three: "What has been done for the American Bible society?" Raised \$588.70.

Question Twenty-One: "What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations and missions of the Conference?" Local preachers, 120; members, 38,733.

Question Twenty-Two: "How many infants have been baptized during the year?" 830.

Question Twenty-Three: "How many adults have been baptized during the year?" 506.

Question Twenty-Four: "What is the number of Epworth Leagues?" 57.

Question Twenty-Five: "What is the number of Epworth League members?" 1,790.

Question Twenty-Six: "What is the number of Sunday Schools?" 346.

Question Twenty-Seven: "What is the number of Sunday School teachers?" 1,971.

Question Twenty-Eight: "What is the number of Sunday School scholars?" 16,185.

Question Thirty-One: "What has been contributed for Missions?" Foreign, \$5,326.21; Domestic \$2,401.86.

Question Thirty-Two: "What has been contributed for Church Extension?" \$1,483.76.

Question Thirty-Four: "What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge?" Presiding Elders, \$8,144.06; preachers in charge, \$55,864.00.

Question Thirty-Six: "What is the number of societies and of houses of worship owned by them?" Societies, 420; Houses of Worship, 388.

Question Thirty-Seven: "What is the value of houses of worship, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon?" Value \$451,550.00; indebtedness, not given.

Question Thirty-Eight: "What is the number of pastoral charges, and of parsonages owned by them?" Pastoral charges, 123; Houses of Worship, 388; Parsonages, 104.

Question Thirty-Nine: "What is the value of parsonages, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon?" Value \$94,250.00; indebtedness, \$2,272.50.

Question Forty: "What is the number of Districts and of District Parsonages?" Districts, 7; District Parsonages, 6; Value, \$6,900.

Question Forty-One: "What is the value of District Parsonages, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon?" Value, \$4,650; no indebtedness reported.

Question Forty-Two: "What number of churches have been damaged or destroyed during the year by fire or storm, and what was the amount of damages?" No report.

Question Forty-Three: "What are the Insurance Statistics?" \$69,750.00; Premiums \$566.15.

Question Forty-Five: "Where shall the next session of Conference be held?" Magnolia, Vicksburg and Brookhaven were put in nomination, and Vicksburg was finally chosen by unanimous vote.

W. W. Moore read the following, which was adopted:

REPORT ON DISTRICT CONFERENCE RECORDS.

*To the Bishop and Members of the Mississippi Annual Conference :*

DEAR BRETHREN: We beg leave to make the following report. The records of the Natchez and Jackson Districts were not presented to our committee.

The records of the Forest, Brookhaven, Vicksburg, Meridian and Seashore District were presented and examined. They were all neatly kept, and barring a few unimportant mistakes and omissions, were all correctly kept.

Respectfully submitted.

ROBERT SELBY,

WALDO W. MOORE, Secretary.

H. M. Ellis read the following, which was adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We, your Committee on Temperance, beg leave to submit the following report:

We rejoice in the growth of the temperance spirit in our bounds, and thank God for the successes already achieved. But we must not forget that the victory is incomplete. Remembering that the evils temperance opposes flourish most in quiet and ignorance, and that the cause of temperance is ever the gainer from judicious agitation, we cannot afford to let the subject rest or to allow our efforts to abate. It is a matter upon which the people need education and the facts are all in our favor.

As all the State is under prohibition law, except a few counties where the population is largely Catholic and foreign and moral sentiment is low, we believe that it is unfair that these should give an ill flavor to our reputation, and that the time has come for the crystalization of this great majority sentiment into a law forbidding the sale of intoxicating liquors, save for purely scientific and medical purposes, anywhere within the State limits. For such legislation, we hope all Methodists will pray and work.

We believe, too, that it is time for the voice of our church to be heard protesting against the use of tobacco, and especially against the pernicious cigarette. It has been published abroad that more than 90 per cent. of those who were rejected by the U. S. army inspectors, were cigarette habitues. If this be true, the Church of God cannot afford to be silent.

We commend the definition of temperance given by the Christian Temperance Union: "Moderation in all things, total abstinence from that which is hurtful."

W. M. WILLIAMS, Ch'n.

H. M. ELLIS, Secretary.

H. W. VanHook read the following, which was adopted as

REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

Your committee is thankful we can report that our church has had her victories during the past year as well as her trials and sorrows. Though co-operation and brotherly love have not been the spirit of a few individual congregations, yet peace and spiritual growth have pervaded our Conference generally. Self-sacrifice in times of epidemic and panic has been the resolution of her servants.

The grace of liberality, as shown in the contributions to the various claims of the churches throughout this, the most trying of years, show the interest and love of our people. The cry of the orphan and widow and heathen have touched the hearts of our members.



Our institutions of learning have been well patronized; the circulation of our literature increased.

The Leagues have developed in strength and many new ones organized.

The Conferences of both League and Sabbath-school show the zeal of young Methodism.

All these mark the development in spirituality and grace, pointing toward the final triumph of the church.

With all our encouragement we are pained to note inconsistencies in the lives of many, worldliness in various forms, love of fashion, greed, covetousness, usury, forbiddin amusements, strife, all contrary to our teachings and inimical to spiritual growth have been indulged in to the injury of the church. Let our pastors give a warning voice. The strength of Methodism is in loyalty and holy living. With hearts full of gratitude for the past blessings and victories, we press on towards grander achievements and more glorious results.

H. W. VANHOOK.

The following was adopted:

WHEREAS, Many of the traveling preachers of our Conference are members of the Conference Brotherhood, therefore,

*Resolved*, That the Secretary of our Conference be authorized to publish the Constitution and By-Laws of said Brotherhood in the minutes of the Conference.

W. B. LEWIS,  
B. F. JONES.

The following was adopted, viz:

#### VOTE OF THANKS.

*Resolved*: By the Mississippi Conference, That we hereby express our hearty appreciation of the Christian hospitality of the good people of Hattiesburg, and pray upon them the blessings of the Giver of all good gifts.

That we thank the Illinois Central, Queen & Crescent, Louisville & Nashville, Mobile & Ohio and Gulf & Ship Island railroads for appreciated courtesies.

That we thank the New Orleans Picayune and Times-Democrat for their full reports of the proceedings of this body.

That we thank Rev. I. L. Peebles and Prof. F. F. Phillips for appreciated courtesies.

C. F. EMERY,  
A. F. WATKINS.

A collection was taken for James Johnson, the Choctaw Indian minister, and interpreter resulting in \$49.55.

Conference adjourned to meet at 7:30 p. m., with the Long Meter Doxology and the Benediction by H. D. Howell, at the request of the Bishop.

HATTIESBURG, MISS., Jan. 2, 1899.

The Conference was called to order at 7:30 p. m., by Bishop Galloway. The religious service was conducted by L. S. Jones.

The minutes of the afternoon session were read and approved.

Question Three: "Who are discontinued?" Answer, none.

Question Five: "Who are re-admitted?" Answer, none.

On motion of F. M. Williams, C. G. Andrews was appointed to print the minutes of the present session.

The new Missionary Board reported organizations as follows, viz: T. B. Holloman, President; T. W. Adams, Secretary; W. L. Linfield, Treasurer.

The new Sunday-school Board reported organization as follows, viz: W. T. Griffin, President; John D. Ellis, Secretary; Thomas Mount, Treasurer.

The following were appointed as

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF BOARD OF EDUCATION.

R. W. Millsaps, A. F. Watkins, H. M. Ellis.

The Bishop announced the following as

#### JOINT BOARD OF FINANCE.

*Clerical:* H. L. Norton, G. H. Thompson, P. D. Hardin, C. D. Cecil, N. B. Harmon, J. W. Chambers, R. F. Witt.

*Laymen:* J. H. Brabtson, W. A. Gunning, W. M. Thornton, T. P. Bell, J. S. Turner, P. A. Richardson.

The Board of Education reported their organization as follows: A. F. Watkins, Chairman; H. M. Ellis, Secretary; R. W. Millsaps, Treasurer.

#### VISITING COMMITTEES.

Millsaps College—B. F. Lewis, R. L. Bennett.

Whitworth Female College—C. A. Powell, J. E. Carruth.

East Mississippi Female College—W. M. Sullivan, J. S. Turner.

Port Gibson Female College—B. S. Rayner, B. F. Goza.

Edward McGehee College—W. W. Moore, M. H. Wilkinson.

The minutes of the present session were read and approved.

The Conference sang the hymn beginning, "And Let Our Bodies Part."

Bishop Galloway addressed the Conference, and read the following appointments in answer to Question Forty-six. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

### Appointments.

The figures show the number of years served consecutively, in the same appointment.

#### VICKSBURG DISTRICT—E. H. MOUNGER, P. E., 2.

Vicksburg—		South Warren.....	W. W. Hurst, 4
Crawford Street....	A. F. Watkins, 3	Edwards.....	C. F. Emory, 1
South Vicksburg.....	W. W. Cammack, 2	Bolton.....	L. Carley, 2
Rolling Fork.....	H. W. VanHook, 2	Utica.....	G. A. Guice, 2
Anguilla.....	F. M. Keen, 1	Rocky Springs.....	J. N. Ware, 3
Mayersville.....	W. T. Griffin, 4	Hermanville.....	A. D. Miller, 4
Warren.....	H. L. Norton, 1	Flora.....	J. G. Cammack, 4
Satartia.....	C. C. Evans, 3	Port Gibson.....	L. S. Jones, 1

#### JACKSON DISTRICT—T. B. HOLLOMAN, P. E., 1.

Jackson—	Tranquil.....	J. M. Cowan, 1	
First Church .....	R. W. Bailey, 1	Silver Creek and Bee Lake.....	T. B. Cottrell, 4
Capitol Street.....	R. J. Jones, 3	L. City and Lodi.....	J. D. Crymes, 1
Fannin.....	H. C. Brown, 1	Yazoo City.....	W. B. Lewis, 1
Brandon.....	B. F. Lewis, 2	Yazoo Circuit.....	H. P. Lewis, 1
Steen's Creek.....	R. Bradley, 4	Benton & Midway.....	G. H. Thompson, 1
Madison.....	H. G. Hawkins, 1	Vaughn's Ct.....	J. J. Golden, 1
Canton.....	J. W. McLaurin, 1	Terry.....	J. W. Brown, 1
Sharon.....	F. M. Williams, 3		
Camden.....	T. J. Norsworthy, 2		
Student at Millsaps College.....	W. A. Terry, 1		
Millsaps College.....	J. A. Moore, Prof, 5		
New Orleans Christian Advocate.....	W. C. Black, Editor, 5		
Epworth League Secretary.....	H. M. DuBose, 1		
Student Vanderbilt University.....	A. H. Shannon, 1		
Secretary of Education.....	H. G. Hawkins, 1		



## FOREST DISTRICT—T. L. MELLEN, P. E., 1.

Forest.....	D. Scarborough, 1	Decatur.....	R. S. Gale, 1
Hillsboro....	Thos. J. O'Neal, 1	Carthage.....	M. L. White, 1
Walnut Grove.....	L. J. Jones, 2	Chunkey.....	B. W. Lewis, 1
Shiloh.....	P. D. Hardin, 2	Rose Hill.....	J. H. Foreman, 1
Clarksburg.....	H. J. Moore, 1	V. & Heidelberg...	W. M. Sullivan, 1
Trenton.....	D. C. Langford, 1	Neshoba & Mission...	P. H. Howse, 1
Raleigh.....	J. N. Tucker, 1	Indian Mission.....	
Montrose.....	I. B. Robertson, 1	.....Sup (by W. P. Donnell, 1	
Lake.....	W. M. Stevens, 2	Conference Missonary Secretary....	
Newton & Hickory..	J. G. Galloway, 1	.....T. L. Mellen, 4	

## MERIDIAN DISTRICT—C. G. ANDREWS, P. E., 3.

Meridian—		Enterprise and Stonewall.....	
Central.....	J. M. Weems, 1	.....J. T. Leggett, 4	
South Side & Poplar Springs.....		Pachuta.....	W. J. Ferguson, 3
.....	W. G. Backus, 1	Shubuta.....	A. T. Bell, 1
East End.....	D. P. Bradford, 1	Mathersville.....	R. H. Barr, 1
West End.....	H. M. Ellis, 1	Middleton.....	J. C. Ellis, 3
DeKalb.....	C. D. Cecil, 1	Waynesboro and State Line.....	
Binnsville.....	R. E. Rutledge, 1	.....J. T. Nicholson, 1	
Porterville.....	R. L. Phillips, 1	Wayne Mission.....	
Lauderdale.....	G. S. Harmon, 2	.....Sup. (by D. C. Farmer, 3	
Vimville.....	C. M. Crossley, 1	Winchester.....	F. B. Ormond, 1
North Kemper.....	L. F. Alford, 2	Daleville.....	H. Mellard, 2

## SEASHORE DISTRICT—W. W. SIMMONS, P. E., 1.

Moss Point.....	J. E. Carpenter, 1	Lumberton and Poplarville.....	
Americus.....	J. W. Campbell, 1	.....W. H. Huntley, 4	
Escatawpa.....	W. J. Dawson, 1	Purvis.....	Geo. P. McKeown, 2
Biloxi.....	W. G. Forsythe, 1	Columbia.....	H. B. Trevilion, 3
Ocean Springs and Scranton.....		Hattiesburg.....	B. F. Jones, 1
.....	W. H. Lewis, 1	Galloway.....	R. L. Webb, 1
St. John & Mission..	J. H. Holland, 1	Ellisville and Laurel.....	
Whittington.....	G. W. Huff, 1	.....N B. Harmon, 2	
Bay St. Louis, Long Beach and		Vancleve.....	W. L. Blackwell, 1
Gulf Port.....	J. P. Drake, 3	Williamsburg.....	G. R. Ellis, 1
Pearlington and Log Town.....		Leaksville.....	H. B. Vandenburg, 2
.....	G. H. Galloway, 1	East Covington....	F. L. Crowson, 1

## BROOKHAVEN DISTRICT—H. W. FEATHERSTUN, P. E., 1.

Brookhaven.....	T. W. Adams, 1	Gallman.....	W. M. Williams, 3
Magnolia and Osyka..	J. A. B. Jones, 3	Hazlehurst.....	R. Selby, 2
.....		Crystal Springs.....	C. A. Powell, 1
.....	J. W. Sandell, Sup., 6	Mount Carmel.....	J. D. Ellis, 1
Tylertown.....	B. H. Rawl's, 2	Westville.....	L. E. Alford, 1
Whitestown.....	J. W. Tinnin, 2	Caseyville.....	J. S. Parker, 1
McComb City.....	I. L. Peebles, 1	Adams.....	W. W. Morse, 2
Summit and Topisaw..	V. V. Boone, 3	Wesson.....	J. M. Morse, 1
Bogue Chitto.....	J. A. Moore, 1	Beauregard.....	H. A. Gatlin, 2
Pleasant Grove....	M. A. Thurman, 1	Providence.....	C. McDonald, 1

Whitworth Female College—J. W. Chambers, President.

Mississippi Orphan's Home—M. L. Burton, Manager.

## NATCHEZ DISTRICT—W. L. C. HUNNICUTT, P. E., 3.

Natchez—		Gloster.....	M. M. Black, 3
Jefferson Street.....	R. D. Norsworthy, 1	Centerville.....	M. H. Moore, 3
Wesley Chapel.....	H. D. Howell, 1	Wilkinson....	Sup (by C. C. Griffin, 2
Washington.....	G. M. Hull, 2	Woodville.....	J. W. Crisler, 2
Fayette.....	B. S. Rayner, 3	Percy Creek.....	W. W. Moore, 2
Barlow.....	E. F. Edgar, 2	Meadville.....	R. A. Sibley, Jr., 1
Roxie.....	J. T. Abney, 1	.....	D. F. Guice, 1
Amite.....	R. A. Breland, 1	Hariston.....	R. F. Witt, 2
.....	And one to be Supplied		

Transferred: I. W. Cooper and C. W. Crisler to the Louisiana Conference.

Conference adjourned by singing the "Long Meter Doxology" and with the benediction by Bishop Galloway.

## CONFERENCE BROTHERHOOD.

### Constitution and By-Laws of the Mississippi Conference Brotherhood.

*Preamble* : Feeling that we may mutually aid each other by the organization of a Brotherhood on the mutual insurance plan, and that our families might derive benefit, therefrom therefore we, the undersigned traveling preachers of the M. E. Church, South, in the State of Mississippi, with a view to affording immediate assistance to the family of a deceased brother, do pledge ourselves to each other, according to the terms Brotherhood, hereinafter described.

### CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE 1. This organization shall be known as the Brotherhood of Traveling Preachers of the Mississippi Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

ARTICLE 2. Every effective traveling preacher of said Mississippi Conference, not over fifty years of age, shall be eligible to membership.

ARTICLE 3. The membership of this Brotherhood shall not extend beyond the limits of said Mississippi Conference, except in case of the transfer of a member to another Conference, when said member so transferred may continue his membership by complying with the Constitution and By-Laws of said Brotherhood.

ARTICLE 4. Any person may become an honorary member of this Brotherhood, with all its privileges and obligations, except to be a claimant on the mortuary fund.

ARTICLE 5. The officers of said Brotherhood shall consist of a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and such other officers as may be from time to time appointed.

ARTICLE 6. The officers of said Brotherhood shall be elected quadrennially at the time and place of the meeting of the Annual Conference, by receiving a plurality of the votes cast by those present, and shall serve without compensation.

ARTICLE 7. It shall be the duty of each beneficiary member upon official notice of the death of a member, to remit to the treasurer an assessment of \$5.00, and of each honorary member an assessment of \$1.00. If any member shall fail to pay said assessment within sixty days after the call of the secretary, he shall be deprived, by suspension, of all benefits of the Brotherhood, and if said assessment shall not have been paid within four months, such delinquency shall work a forfeiture of membership.

ARTICLE 8. No part of the foregoing Constitution shall be changed or amended, except by a majority vote of the beneficiary members of the Brotherhood.

### By-Laws.

SECTION 1. The officers of the Brotherhood shall perform such duties as usually pertain to such officers in similar organizations, and in addition thereto such other duties as have been specified in the Constitution.

SECTION 2. The regular meetings of the Brotherhood shall be held at the place and time of meeting of the Mississippi Conference, on such day and at such hour as the President may designate, by giving due notice by proclamation in the Conference, as other notices are given; and the members of the Brotherhood present, after such notice is given, shall constitute a quorum to transact business.

SECTION 3. There shall be a Board of Managers, of five members, appointed by the President, within 30 days after each annual meeting of the Brotherhood, having reference to their contiguity and facilities for communication, whose duty it shall be to fill any vacancy that may occur in the offices. Said Board of Managers shall hold their offices for one year, and until their successors shall have been appointed. They shall at all times have access to the books of the Secretary and Treasurer and shall have power of removal from office for sufficient cause. All matters of complaint shall be referred to them, and said Board of Managers shall have power in the interim of the regular meetings of the Brotherhood to advise, direct and control the affairs of the Brotherhood within the restrictions of the Constitution.

SECTION 4. Each and every person seeking admission into this Brotherhood as a beneficiary member shall take upon himself this pledge: I do hereby promise to comply with the Constitution and By-Laws of the Brotherhood of Traveling Preachers of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, paying my annual dues and all mortuary assessments whenever notified and requested so to do, and to use all diligence in building up and promoting the interest of the Brotherhood; and in default thereof I agree to forfeit all my rights and privileges under said Constitution and Laws.

SECTION 5. Any member suspended for non-payment of dues, or mortuary fees, may be re-instated at any time by paying to the Treasurer the dues and assessments upon which he was suspended, together with those which have accrued during the past twelve months, and which he has failed to pay.

SECTION 6. These By-Laws, or any of them, may be altered or amended by a majority vote of the members present at any of the regular meetings of the Brotherhood.

### Order of Business.

1. Prayer. Calling the Roll.
2. Reports of Officers. 1st. President; 2nd. Secretary; 3rd. Treasurer;
- 4th. Board of Managers; 5th. Committees.
3. Motions and Resolutions.
4. Appointments of Committees.
5. Miscellaneous Business.
6. Electing Officers.
7. Reading and adopting of Minutes.
8. Adjournment.

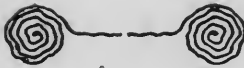
### Officers of the Brotherhood.

W. B. Lewis, President.  
 J. M. Weems, Vice-President.  
 B. F. Jones, Secretary.  
 B. F. Lewis, Treasurer.  
 T. B. Holloman, A. F. Watkins, L. Carley, Executive Committee.

## Condensed Minutes.

1. Who are admitted on trial? Robert L. Webb, J. W. Campbell, Walter L. Blackwell, Lewis F. Alford, Thos. J. O'Neal, Frederick L. Crowson.
2. Who remain on trial? H. J. Moore, H. A. Gatlin, L. E. Alford M. H. Thurman. Kept in first year: J. J. Golden, G. S. Harmon, W. A. Terry.
3. Who are discontinued? None.
4. Who are admitted into full connection? Geo. P. McKeown, Jno. A. Moore, Geo. M. Hull.
5. Who are re-admitted? None.
6. Who are recieved by transfer from other Conferences? W. H. Lewis, from St. Louis Conference, and J. E. Carpenter, from East Texas Conference, both in Elders Order.
7. Who are the deacons of one year? T. B. Cottrell kept in class of the 3rd year. R. L. Phillips, J. H. Foremen, R. A. Sibley, Jr., C. M. Crossley, Jas. C. Ellis, Geo. W. Huff, Henry C. Brown, Hiram B. Trevilion, Thos. J. Norsworthy, F. B. Ormond.
8. What Traveling Preachers are elected deacons? None.
9. What Traveling Preachers are ordained deacons? None.
10. What local preachers are elected deacons? Wm. E. M. Brogan, James M. Corley, Geo. W. Huddleston, Lewis F. Alford, Thomas J. O'Neal, Frederick L. Crowson, Luke E. Alford, Wm. P. Donnell, James E. Williams.
11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? James M. Corley, Wm. P. Donnell, Lewis F. Alford, Frederick L. Crowson, Lucius E. Alford, Thos. J. O'Neal, Geo. W. Huddleston.
12. What Traveling Preachers are elected elders? H. B. Vandenberg, J. D. Ellis, R. E. Rutledge, W. W. Moore, W. M. Williams, R. H. Barr, D. Scarborough.
13. What Traveling Preachers are ordained elders? D. Scarborough, J. E. Ellis, R. E. Rutledge, W. W. Moore, Wm. M. Williams, R. H. Barr, H. B. Vandenberg.
14. What local preachers are elected elders? None.
15. What local preachers are ordained elders? None.
16. Who are located this year? E. E. Langford, J. E. Riddle, at their own request.
17. Who are supernumerary? J. W. Sandell.
18. Who are superannuated? A. B. Nicholson, E. A. Flowers, G. Bancroft, J. W. Harmon, J. A. Vance, H. R. Caldwell, R. A. Sibley, J. H. Evans, N. B. Young, W. B. Hines, J. M. Pugh, P. Howard, D. G. W. Ellis, L. P. Meader, T. W. Brown, R. B. Downer.
19. What preachers have died during the year? H. J. Harris, G. W. Ferrer.
20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were all called over one by one and their characters were examined and passed.
21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations and missions of the Conference. Local preachers, 120; members, 38,733.
22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 830.
23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 506.
24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 57.
25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 1790.
26. What is the number of Sunday-schools? 346.
27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 1971.
28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars, 16,185.
29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and for the widows and orphans of preachers \$6,000.
30. What has been collected on the foregoing and how has it been applied? \$3,937.73. For application see Report Joint Board of Finance.
31. What has been contributed for missions? Foreign, \$5,326.21. Domestic, 2,401.86.
32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$1,483.76,

33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? Collected, \$588.70.
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35. What has been contributed for the support of Bishops, \$1,269.67.
36. What is the number of Societies and of houses of worship owned by them? Number of Societies, 420. Number of houses of worship, 388.
37. What is the value of houses of worship and what is the amount of the indebtedness thereon? Value, \$451,550. Indebtedness not reported?
38. What is the number of pastoral charges and of parsonages owned by them? Pastoral charges, 123. Number of parsonages, 104.
39. What is the value of parsonages and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon? Value, \$94,250. Indebtedness, \$2,272.50.
40. What is the number of districts, and of district parsonages? Number of districts, 7. Number of district parsonages, 6.
41. What is the value of district parsonages, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon? Value, \$6,900. Indebtedness not reported.
42. What number of churches have been damaged or destroyed during the year by fire or storm, and what was the amount of damage? No report.
43. What are the insurance statistics? Insurance carried, \$69,750. Losses ———. Premiums paid, \$506.15.
44. What are the Educational Statistics? See page in body of this pamphlet.
45. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Vicksburg.
46. Where are the preachers stationed this year. See list of appointments.



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# STATISTICAL TABLES.

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# MEMBERSHIP, BAPTISMS AND CHURCH PROPERTY, MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE, 1898.

## JACKSON DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGE.	Local Preachers	No. of Members	Total Members This Year.	Total Members Last Year.	Additions on P'f'sion of Faith	Additions by cer. and otherwise.	Removal by death, cer. etc.	Infants Baptized.	Adults Baptized.	Scities in charge	Houses of Worship		No. of Pars'n'g's	Value of Parsonages.	Value of Other Church Property.	Money Expended for Churches and Parsonages.	Insurance Statistics.					No. Ep'w'h L'iges	No. of Epworth League M'bers.	Number of S. S.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	Number of Scholars.	Amount Collected for Sunday Schools.	Amount Collected for Missions.	Amount Collected on Children's Day.	Amounts Collected for Other Objects.	Total Amount Raised in Sunday Schools.
											Number of	Value of					Indebtedness on	Insurance Carried.	Premiums Paid.	Losses	Sustained.										
Jackson, 1st. Church	5	606	606	583	19	33	29	5	10	1	2	\$26,500 00	\$2500 00	1	\$ 3000 00	\$	\$ 50 00	10000 00	\$ 150 00			1	82	1	31	200	\$66 73	\$50 00	\$15 15	\$82 93	\$
Jackson, Capt. Str..		273	273	268		13	8	7	1	1	1	3000 00		1		2000 00	125 00	2000 00	65 00			1	113	1	18	135	65 00		4 60	69 60	
Fannin	1	227	228	214	15	3	4	1	8	4	3	2000 00		1	500 00	90 00	42 15				1	12	4	20	120	9 00	1 30	3 20		13 50	
Brandon	1	104	165	162	5	7	8	3	1	1	1	6000 00		1	700 00	60 00	100 00				1	2	11	120	29 70	4 50	1 00		41 20		
Steen's Creek.	2	621	621	615	24		17	2	15	9	7	3500 00		1	1200 00		100 00				1	49	6	21	300	50 00	5 00	8 20	12 95	50 06	
Madison	1	238	238	242	14	3	21	3	3	5	5	3800 00		1	800 00		550 00						4	30	175	31 80	2 58	8 53		40 38	
Canton	2	180	180	203	4	7	3	5	3	2	2	3500 00		1	1500 00	100 00	259 00				1	41	2	13	125	35 00	27 61	5 40		68 02	
Sharon	2	175	175	173		3	3	1	4	4	4	3000 00		1	500 00		25 00					2	2	10	75	7 50	3 60	7 10		18 20	
Camden	3	359	362	341	23	2	2	4	20	4	3	2250 00		1	600 00		50 00				2	50	2	15	60	10 00		12 00		22 00	
Tranquil.		371	371	374	2	1	6		1	4	4	3500 00		1	500 00		318 00					3	3	16	50	10 00		12 60		22 60	
Silver Creek.		79	82	75	1	6	3	6	1	4	3	1500 00		1	250 00	150 00						2	12	50	10 00					10 00	
Lake City and Lodi	1	79	94	91		3	15	3	3	2	2	800 00		1	400 00		16 00					2	6	60	6 50					7 45	
Yazoo City.		422	422	401	1	20	7	4	4	2	2	12,000 00	300 00	1	2000 00		350 00				1	47	2	21	225	29 00	8 80			37 80	
Yazoo Circuit.		220	220	222	2		4	2	2	4	4	2500 00				75 00						2	6	60	6 50					6 50	
Benton																						3	20	125	35 00	5 25				40 25	
Terry	1	311	312	315		8	15	5	4	4	4	3700 00	100 00	1	1050 00		103 00	400 00			1	25	4	26	75	28 00		4 00		32 00	
Total	17	4265	4349	4269	110	79	176	41	66	52	47	77,550 00	2900 00	13	13,000 00	2415 00	2048 40	12400 00	215 00		10	419	43	271	1920	401 74	116 26	96 74	164 88	625 77	
Total Last Year	15	4210	4225	4068	171	179	193	38	93	48	51	71,420 00		14	12,120 00	6605 00	2724 00				11	353	44	268	1832	477 33	108 88	70 10	9 50	695 96	
Increase	2	55		201	60		17		17		4	6130 00			880 00		675 60				65		3	88		7 38	26 64	155 38			
Decrease			124			100		3		4				1		4190 00					1				75 59					50 13	

## VICKSBURG DISTRICT.

Vicksburg, C. Street	459	459	467	7	23	38	21	2	1	2	15.390 00		1	2500 00	5448 00	177 88	4500 00				1	46	1	26	265	138 26	40 50	7 00	12 00	207 66	
South Vicksburg	120	120	121	7	14	22	3	6		1	2090 00					12 00					1	1	10	84	76 95	30 00	3 75	5 00	117 70		
Rolling Fork	165	165	163	2	5	5	3		3	3	4690 00	250 00	1	2000 00	100 00	174 00	1090 00	10 00			1	26	2	22	120	45 00	5 00	7 45	35 00	92 45	
Anguilla																															
Mayersville	1	99	100		8	9	8	7	2	2	2200 00		1	1000 00		100 00	1000 00	10 00						3	7	50	20 00	15 00	2 50	15 00	52 50
Warren	1	478	479	508	11	1	41	4	1	4	3	3150 00		1	650 00		55 00				1	60	3	17	100	27 60	5 80	27 00		60 40	
Satartia	1	262	258	250		8	4	9	8	4	3	3700 00		1	1000 00		1653 60						3		150	10 00				10 00	
South Warren		178	178	166		5	8	1	5	1	5	3900 00		1	1000 00	50 00	280 00						3	15	60	15 00				15 00	
Edwards		281	281	278	3	10	11	2		3	*2	2000 00		1	3000 00	985 00		1000 00	25 00	10 00	7 50		2	13	107	25 70		2 25	4 90	32 85	
Bolton		206	206	225	2	8	29	5		4	3	3700 00		1	800 00		102 00					3	15	100	16 80	8 10	10 40			24 90	

Port Gibson.....	1	148	149	172	5	3	19	4	1	1	1	10,000 00	50 00	11	3000 00	20,000 00	75 00	1500 00	.....	.....	.....	2	16	1	12	98	55 00	25 00	5 20	.....	85 00
Rocky Springs.....	2	328	330	314	10	4	4	5	3	5	4	4000 00	.....	1	800 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	10	175	15 00	.....	6 75	.....	21 20	
Hermanville.....	1	426	427	415	18	14	20	11	14	5	5	4100 00	.....	1	1500 00	.....	60 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	15	4	23	149	.....	12 50	.....	12 50	
Flora.....	.....	257	257	265	.....	1	9	3	.....	3	3	2500 00	.....	1	600 00	.....	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	18	90	24 00	5 35	3 00	.....	32 35	
Utica.....	.....	326	326	317	13	3	9	5	8	3	3	4500 00	.....	1	900 00	.....	73 15	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	3	14	136	35 00	.....	.....	.....	35 25
Total.....	5	3733	3735	3662	99	107	220	87	46	39	40	66,650 00	300 00	13	15,950 00	26,583 00	2789 00	9500 00	45 00	10 00	7 50	6	163	36	202	1684	504 31	134 75	87 80	71 90	800 46
Total last year..	6	4035	3893	.....	178	183	210	109	74	50	44	71,800 00	.....	14	17,200 00	19,187 93	1310 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	165	38	242	1817	473 33	130 68	132 09	259 10	923 20
Increase	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	22	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30 98	4 07	.....	.....	.....	
Decrease.....	1	296	.....	.....	79	76	.....	28	11	4	.....	5150 00	.....	1	1250 00	.....	1479 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	2	40	133	.....	.....	44 29	187 20	122 74

\* \$1790 00 still on hand. † \$200 00 debt on Port Gibson Parsonage.

MERIDIAN DISTRICT.

Meridian, Central..	2	507	509	528	1	41	47	3	1	1	1	12,000 00	.....	1	2500 00	25,100 00	75 00	8100 00	.....	.....	.....	2	175	1	40	526	102 00	60 00	9 30	33 00	204 30
Meridian, East End	.....	297	297	272	2	54	29	4	.....	1	1	2500 00	.....	1	*1200 00	300 00	230 00	2500 00	.....	.....	.....	1	20	1	13	140	73 00	40 00	5 15	8 00	126 15
Meridian, West End	1	229	230	229	1	30	30	3	1	1	1	2700 00	420 00	.....	.....	102 00	.....	1700 00	23 20	.....	.....	1	35	1	14	122	35 00	22 24	1 45	.....	57 24
Meridian, S. Side....	.....	169	169	165	9	20	25	1	3	2	2	2175 00	100 00	.....	.....	.....	146 00	1300 00	20 18	.....	.....	2	55	2	13	180	42 00	18 00	2 85	3 00	65 85
DeKalb	1	345	346	348	6	.....	9	7	4	4	4	2300 00	.....	1	11000 00	.....	100 75	.....	.....	.....	1	17	3	10	100	6 20	.....	3 75	.....	9 95	
Binnsville	.....	352	352	281	12	74	17	1	5	4	3	2500 00	40 00	1	500 00	.....	9 00	.....	.....	.....	1	15	2	9	80	34 35	7 75	1 65	.....	43 75	
Porterville	.....	241	241	234	9	5	7	.....	3	7	5	1225 00	.....	.....	.....	200 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	10	90	9 60	.....	.....	.....	9 60	.....	
Lauderdale	1	287	288	270	12	16	11	9	5	5	4	2350 00	.....	1	750 00	60 00	2 00	.....	.....	.....	1	20	4	24	161	32 09	5 25	10 65	14 35	47 99	
Vimville	1	268	269	260	7	10	3	1	.....	5	5	1000 00	.....	1	500 00	.....	.....	1000 00	.....	.....	2	30	5	12	95	10 00	.....	7 50	50	18 00	
North Kemper	.....	427	427	427	50	6	15	7	16	6	5	1850 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	183 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	20	168	11 45	.....	4 16	3 00	.....	18 61	
Daleville	.....	382	382	377	4	3	2	4	2	5	5	3100 00	.....	1	800 00	.....	25 00	.....	.....	.....	1	20	4	29	204	14 05	1 50	4 00	35 00	100 50	
Enterprise & S'wall	2	312	312	318	2	32	38	9	1	3	3	5500 00	.....	1	1000 00	700 00	58 00	1500 00	9 00	.....	.....	.....	3	26	200	60 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Pachuta	2	407	409	409	7	3	10	4	5	6	6	4100 00	125 00	1	1800 00	.....	200 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	35	206	36 00	19 50	.....	.....	.....	54 50	
Shubuta	.....	261	261	253	2	13	5	4	1	2	2	4100 00	.....	2	1000 00	100 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	2	2	143	45 52	22 00	7 00	.....	72 52	
Mathersville	3	407	410	414	3	6	13	6	1	6	4	1700 00	.....	1	500 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	32	224	26 00	5 00	3 40	.....	34 40		
Energy	1	192	193	196	8	2	12	13	1	7	5	1625 00	.....	1	625 00	.....	33 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	20	105	7 60	3 36	4 67	.....	15 63		
Waynesboro & S. L.	.....	333	333	337	6	12	22	4	3	3	3	5000 00	.....	1	\$1500 00	75 00	248 00	.....	.....	.....	2	68	3	22	200	35 00	26 30	14 70	.....	75 90	
Wayne Mission	1	90	91	62	28	6	32	7	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	12	78	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 80		
Winchester	.....	310	310	307	7	6	10	8	3	7	6	2300 00	.....	1	500 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	8	4	20	120	11 55	25	9 00	.....	20 80
Total	15	5816	6729	5687	178	339	311	120	63	78	65	58,025 00	685 00	14	13,175 00	26,637 00	1310 35	15100 00	52 00	.....	.....	15	463	61	363	3142	591 41	222 15	89 23	96 85	896 47
Total last year	11	4718	4774	5688	262	260	431	104	99	60	51	43,975 00	.....	10	7650 00	24,720 00	2742 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	16	517	50	305	2741	375 55	174 16	58 21	53 97	661 82
Increase	4	.....	1955	.....	.....	79	.....	16	.....	18	14	14,050 00	.....	4	5525 00	1917 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Decrease	.....	.....	.....	1	84	.....	120	.....	36	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1432 15	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	44	.....	58	401	215 96	47 99	31 02	42 88	234 65	

\* East End, Meridian, \$200 debt on parsonage. † DeKalb \$75 debt on parsonage. ‡ Pachuta \$60 debt on parsonage. § Waynesboro \$600 debt on parsonage.

FOREST DISTRICT.

Forest	1	333	333	341	6	13	26	.....	1	4	3	2000 00	.....	2	.....	.....	600 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	19	106	20 00	.....	1 00	.....	.....	21 00
Morton	1	343	344	340	12	17	25	16	8	4	4	2400 00	.....	1	700 00	.....	500 00	12 50	.....	.....	.....	2	11	100	23 25	3 00	.....	2 00	.....	28 25
Hillsboro	2	416	416	399	22	10	15	1	16	6	4	1000 00	.....	1	1500 00	.....	11 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	16	95	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00
Walnut Grove	3	458	458	449	16	2	8	6	11	5	5	1900 00	.....	1	750 00	.....	50 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	5	60	7 50	.....	.....	39 40	.....	44 90
Shiloh	4	463	467	409	34	35	11	34	15	3	3	1800 00	.....	1	*450 00	.....	450 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	21	3	18	173	16 42	10 00	.....	26 42
Clarksburg	3	343	346	344	1	7	6	1	.....	5	.....	1375 00	.....	1	100 00	10 00	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	10	85	6 20	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 20
Trenton	4	473	473	440	35	12	14	18	14	6	6	2000 00	.....	1	500 00	15 00	4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	20	165	9 20	.....	4 45	.....	.....	13 65
Raleigh	.....	495	495	380	33	77	11	12	18	7	6	2000 00	70 00	1	50 00	.....	188 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	15	145	11 50	.....	8 00	45 10	.....	64 60

# FOREST DISTRICT—CONTINUED.

Mont Rose.....	3	380	386	358	2	14	10	19	2	6	5	3800 00	.....	1	900 00	.....	40 00	.....	.....	.....	1	30	3	22	240	30 00	.....	3 50	2 00	35	
Lake.....	2	384	386	402	3	2	19	3	3	4	4	4000 00	.....	1	500 00	.....	38 70	.....	.....	.....	1	30	3	15	100	19 10	8 90	8 70	10 45	47	
Newton & Hickory	3	435	438	429	8	14	13	12	5	2	2	2500 00	.....	1	1250 00	200 00	75 00	.....	.....	.....	1	30	2	24	240	70 00	32 00	5 62	.....	107	
Decatur.....	1	410	410	390	16	4	7	4	10	5	5	2700 00	.....	1	1500 00	.....	573 90	.....	.....	.....	1	30	2	12	105	8 00	2 25	2 70	.....	12	
Carthage.....	1	437	437	467	8	5	43	6	5	6	3	2000 00	200 00	1	400 00	25 00	20 00	.....	.....	.....	2	18	163	34 40	.....	2 48	.....	36			
Chunkey.....	2	283	283	281	2	4	.....	.....	.....	6	5	1550 00	.....	1	300 00	.....	125 00	.....	.....	.....	4	24	170	11 15	5 00	2 60	10 70	29			
Rose Hill.....	1	458	459	455	17	4	15	9	2	5	4	1850 00	.....	1	400 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	15	4	18	165	15 00	.....	4 05	.....	19		
Vossburg.....	1	165	165	168	1	7	11	10	1	4	4	3000 00	.....	1	1000 00	.....	20 00	500 00	7 50	.....	1	12	4	20	125	17 00	6 00	5 00	17 50	45	
Heidelberg.....	1	524	525	501	22	11	8	11	8	6	6	2750 00	.....	1	400 00	.....	181 30	.....	.....	.....	1	30	4	12	100	13 80	3 15	2 10	.....	29	
Neshoba & Mission	1	56	51	51	2	2	.....	.....	.....	1	1	100 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50	.....	.....	.....	1	30	4	14	186	14 75	16 30	.....	31		
Indian mission.....	1	56	51	51	2	2	.....	.....	.....	1	1	100 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50	.....	.....	.....	1	30	4	14	186	14 75	16 30	.....	31		
Total.....	31	6856	6872	6504	240	238	248	162	117	80	75	40,725 00	270 00	17	9650 90	250 00	1396 20	1000 00	20 00	.....	.....	8	168	57	287	2559	332 27	76 60	60 20	127 15	581 2
Total last year	29	6315	6344	6130	352	212	279	133	187	69	66	38,400 00	.....	17	8675 00	130 00	2933 20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Increase <sup>1</sup> .....	3	541	528	374	.....	26	.....	29	.....	11	9	2325 00	.....	.....	975 00	120 00	537 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Decrease.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	112	.....	31	.....	70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	

\* Shiloh, \$11.50 debt on parsonage. † Decatur, \$20.00 debt on parsonage.

# BROOKHAVEN DISTRICT.

Brookhaven .....	2	283	285	282	4	21	22	4	3	1	1	2000 00	2	3000 00	75,000 00	81 15	12000 00	12 00	1	29	1	14	160	59 85	15 98	3 12	5 90	75 8
Magnolia & O .....	1	199	199	211	10	22	9	...	2	1	1	6000 00	1	300 00	5000 00	300 00	12000 00	12 00	1	29	1	14	160	59 85	15 98	3 12	5 90	75 8
China Grove .....	1	440	440	447	7	7	20	11	5	4	4	4500 00	1	700 00	67 00	3000 00	13 00	1	29	1	14	160	59 85	15 98	3 12	5 90	75 8	
McComb City .....	2	380	380	371	3	17	19	10	3	1	1	2500 00	100 00	2000 00	100 00	109 66	13 00	1	45	2	26	274	181 00	23 19	6 37	15 00	210 5	
Whitestown .....	3	267	267	274	6	26	26	18	1	2	3	3700 00	30 00	400 00	20 00	20 00	13 00	1	40	2	12	100	40 00	3 00	15 00	58 0		
Summit & T .....	1	263	263	254	1	24	15	2	...	4	3	2200 00	1	300 00	50 00	50 00	13 00	1	25	3	12	100	5 00	...	...	5 00	...	
Bogue Cheter .....	1	461	461	455	8	9	8	8	8	6	6	3600 00	1	800 00	176 90	2500 00	20 25	1	4	16	200	50 00	3 35	12 80	9 00	75 1		
Gallman .....	1	417	417	367	43	19	12	8	21	4	4	3600 00	1	1500 00	86 35	2500 00	20 25	1	15	109	78 50	38 30	10 00	...	...	126 8		
Crystal Springs .....	1	337	337	333	17	20	33	15	4	1	1	4000 00	1	150 00	55 00	...	...	1	5	13	130	10 00	5 00	...	...	15 0		
Mt. Carmel .....	1	482	490	474	23	...	8	4	4	5	5	3200 00	1	250 00	6 00	...	...	1	2	6	60	8 00	...	...	...	8 0		
Westville .....	1	226	226	114	32	103	23	6	12	6	4	10,000 00	1	1000 00	...	...	...	1	5	25	200	20 00	2 35	4 25	...	26 6		
Caseyville .....	5	417	417	445	1	5	28	3	...	3	3	2500 00	1	100 00	600 00	250 00	1500 00	13 10	1	31	1	...	150	15 30	9 00	7 50	21 8	
Adams .....	2	502	504	453	24	58	29	5	9	1	1	1800 00	1	1000 00	140 00	1500 00	13 10	1	3	15	129	22 50	2 50	90	28 00	53 9		
Wesson .....	1	183	183	...	3	10	...	...	3	3	3	3000 00	1	*600 00	114 00	300 00	5 00	1	3	15	129	22 50	2 50	90	28 00	53 9		
North Wesson .....	1	273	273	287	1	4	18	2	...	2	4	3000 00	1	500 00	700 00	150 00	2000 00	37 50	1	3	18	95	26 10	4 00	5 76	6 00	41 8	
Providence .....	1	220	220	218	1	23	22	3	...	1	1	5000 00	415 70	2000 00	70 30	2000 00	37 50	1	20	1	12	75	20 45	...	2 80	...	23 2	
Hazelhurst .....	1	220	220	218	4	1	3	...	4	4	4	2000 00	...	...	...	...	...	1	3	10	65	6 00	...	7 60	...	13 6		
Martinsville .....	1	220	220	218	4	1	3	...	4	4	4	2000 00	...	...	...	...	...	1	3	10	65	6 00	...	7 60	...	13 6		
Total .....	20	5188	6078	5695	59	359	345	118	72	55	54	59,000 00	545 70	14,300 00	76,767 00	6797 15	10500 00	100 85	6	190	47	257	2353	600 45	200 32	82 21	101 38	1105 8
Total last year	24	5768	5792	5652	255	246	379	147	113	52	47	47,200 00	14	14,975 00	77,587 50	3295 80	.....	.....	2	60	48	301	2667	580 61	113 47	92 21	69 50	820 7
Increase .....	4	580	286	43	113	...	34	29	41	...	3	7	11,800 00	2	675 00	820 50	3501 35	.....	.....	4	130	...	...	19 84	86 85	...	...	285 3
Decrease .....	4	580	...	43	113	...	34	29	41	...	3	7	11,800 00	2	675 00	820 50	3501 35	.....	.....	4	130	...	...	19 84	86 85	...	...	285 3

\* North Wesson, \$175 debt on parsonage.

# NATCHEZ DISTRICT.

Natchez, Jeff'son St	358	358	368	6	28	38	12	1	1	1	15,000 00	1	2500 00	78 50	8800 00	110 50	1	47	1	25	145	120 75	110 00	8 75	6 25	245 75	
“ Wesley Chap	186	186	212	9	5	40	17	5	1	1	1500 00	1	300 00	700 00	110 50	1	52	1	11	93	45 76	26 45	5 00	77 21			
Washington	93	93	93	2	2	2	5	3	9500 00	1	550 00	145 00	30 00	700 00	110 50	1	52	1	11	93	45 76	26 45	5 00	77 21			
Fayette	346	346	333	4	17	8	12	2	3	3	4500 00	1	2000 00	1220 00	700 00	110 50	1	52	1	11	93	45 76	26 45	5 00	77 21		
Barlow	408	408	434	2	6	30	1	2	4	4	3400 00	1	1200 00	62 00	700 00	110 50	1	52	1	11	93	45 76	26 45	5 00	77 21		
Roxie	341	341	315	31	8	13	18	6	5	3000 00	1	600 00	1500 00	62 00	700 00	110 50	1	52	1	11	93	45 76	26 45	5 00	77 21		
Amite	1 298	298	253	30	8	4	16	12	7	7	2300 00	1	150 00	618 80	700 00	110 50	1	52	1	11	93	45 76	26 45	5 00	77 21		
Gloster	1 189	189	188	8	8	15	5	2	1	3200 00	1	150 00	618 80	700 00	110 50	1	52	1	11	93	45 76	26 45	5 00	77 21			
Centerville	1 272	272	276	1	16	26	14	5	3	2	2000 00	2	11300 00	500 00	700 00	110 50	1	52	1	11	93	45 76	26 45	5 00	77 21		
Wilkinson	4 422	447	.....	9	10	11	14	6	6	6	5000 00	1	200 00	100 00	700 00	110 50	1	52	1	11	93	45 76	26 45	5 00	77 21		
Woodville	150	150	159	6	7	22	12	5	1	1	1000 00	1	2500 00	50 00	700 00	110 50	1	52	1	11	93	45 76	26 45	5 00	77 21		
Percy Creek	.....	130	135	12	2	19	3	3	2	2	3000 00	1	1700 00	9 60	700 00	110 50	1	52	1	11	93	45 76	26 45	5 00	77 21		
Meadville	2 412	414	417	14	1	18	12	3	6	5	5700 00	1	1000 00	128 00	700 00	110 50	1	52	1	11	93	45 76	26 45	5 00	77 21		
Harriston	.....	357	362	5	7	17	10	3	6	5	2000 00	1	500 00	300 00	700 00	110 50	1	52	1	11	93	45 76	26 45	5 00	77 21		
Total	9 4732	4989	3545	137	125	273	125	70	53	46	61,100 00	14	13,650 00	930 00	1476 90	11100 00	118 50	7	215	41	244	1607	406 91	198 75	101 15	9 25	737 46
Total last year	8 3535	3543	3572	214	170	415	153	83	44	36	52,900 00	12	10,850 50	10,970 00	1662 95	11100 00	118 50	5	183	36	215	1520	357 05	143 20	110 90	318 55	960 45
Increase	1 197	1446	73	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9	10	8200 00	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	32	5	29	87	49 86	55 55	.....	.....	.....
Decrease	.....	.....	.....	77	45	142	28	13	.....	.....	.....	2	2800 00	10,040 00	186 05	.....	.....	2	32	5	29	87	49 86	55 55	9 75	309 30	222 99

\* Gloster, Value of District Parsonage \$1200.00, † Centerville, \$60.00 debt on Parsonage.

# SEASHORE DISTRICT.

Moss Point	1	227	228	223	1	14	10	1	1	2	1	5000 00		1	2000 00		300 00								1	19	175	29 77	11 35	6 67	32 23	90 02
Lumberton & P			240	339	2	18	15	1	2	2		3900 00	300 00	1	700 00		350 00	2000 00			12 00	1	50	2	21	190	96 15	11 85	8 00			116 10
Pearlington		221	221	222	1	1	3	2		2	2	5000 00		1	*700 00	200 00	100 00							2	27	198	156 00	40 00	3 50	28 00	224 50	
Hattiesburg	2	392	394	348	48	60	46	12	9	1	1	2500 00		2	3500 00		774 50					1	32	1	18	230	136 70	61 50	2 98			201 19
Columbia	1	350	358	504		15	146			4	4	2900 00		1	750 00		151 38							3	17	132	38 48		2 10			40 58
Bay St. Louis	1	200	201	229	9	1	38	17	1	4	4	4800 00	300 00	1	†1500 00	250 00	50 00	1500 00						4	18	150	45 00	14 55	6 25	7 00	72 80	
Biloxi	2	220	233	179	28	26	13	11	5	1	1	2000 00			250 00		145 00					1	14	14	121	20 00	10 07	4 90	21 00	55 90		
Ocean Springs & G	1	100	101	125	10		34	10		2	2	2000 00		1	800 00	80 00		1700 00	12 50				2	8	65	15 00	4 76	4 00			19 76	
Gulf Port			133		5	69		4	2	3	1	500 00				200 00						1	25	3	15	100	15 00	2 00	4 60			21 60
Americus	1	423	423	384	37	8	6	30	2	6	6	2200 00		1	250 00		7 00						6	20	125	18 00		6 25			24 25	
Escatawpa	1	386	386	346	30	10		20	6	4	4	2500 00		1	375 00	700 00	200 00						4	25	225	40 00					40 00	
Whittington	1	755	755	749	8	3	5	11		6	3	1500 00		1	400 00	50 00	58 50						4	31	245			5 50			5 50	
Purvis	1	155	155	187	7	4	32	3	3	4	4	1800 00		1	800 00		112 10					2	9	65			3 09			3 09		
Galloway		216	216	148	58	10	4	6	11	5	4	800 00		1	100 00							2	65	6	18	120	54 00				54 00	
Ellisville & Laurel	2	446	446	389	30	41	14	17	12	2	2	7000 00	1469 00	1	†800 00	300 00	817 56	4500 00					3	24	199	82 26	20 10		10 00	112 36		
Vancleve	8	700	700	686	14		5	21	5	1	7	2000 00		1	\$400 00	500 00						8	30	400	50 00					50 00		
Williamsburg		384	384	365	21	6	8	5	7	4	4	2300 00		1	300 00	50 00	25 00	450 00	2 25				5	20	150	12 85	78	6 68		20 31		
Leaksville			142	147	4		5	5	1	5	3	800 00		1	600 00		40 00					2	5	30	3 20		1 60			4 80		
Fuller		305	305	295	3	6	10		7	6	6	2000 00										2	8	70	45 00					45 00		
Total	22	5488	6021	5865	317	292	425	176	72	63	61	58,500 00	2068 00	17	14,525 00	2330 00	3138 00	10150 00	14 75		12 00	5	172	61	347	2920	867 41	180 05	63 03	98 23	1201 83	
Total last year	11	3690	3701	3396	188	324	207	144	42	42	41	37,000 00		11	8775 00	2400 00	2330 20					2	60	42	223	2015	610 55	92 91	53 05	135 65	896 86	
Increase	11	1798	2320	2469	129		218	32	30	21	20	21,500 00	2060 00	6	5750 00		808 00					3	112	19	124	905	256 86	87 14	9 38		304 97	
Decrease						32										70 00														37 42		

\* Pearlington, \$350 debt on parsonage, † Bay St. Louis, \$60 debt on parsonage, ‡ Ellisville, \$176 debt on parsonage. § Vancleve, \$50 debt on parsonage.

# RECAPITULATION TABLE.

## MEMBERSHIP, BAPTISMS AND CHURCH PROPERTY, MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE, 1898.

Name of District.	Local preachers.		Members.		This Year.		Last Year.		Additions on profession of faith		Additions by cer. and otherwise.		Removals by death, cer. etc.		Infants Baptized.		Adults Baptized.		Houses of Worship.			Parsonages.			Value of Other Church Prop'ty		Money Expended for Churches and Parsonages.		Ins. Statistics		No. Epw'th L'ges		No. of Epworth League M'bers.		Number of S. S.		No. of Officers and Teachers.		Number of Scholars.		Am't col. for Sunday Schools		Am't collected for Missions.		Amount collected on Children's Day.		Am't col. for Other Objects.		Total A'm't Raised in S. S.	
	Number of	Total	Members	This Year.	Total	Members	Last Year.	Additions on profession of faith	Additions by cer. and otherwise.	Removals by death, cer. etc.	Infants Baptized.	Adults Baptized.	Societies in charge	Number of	Value of	Indebtedness on	Number of	Value of	Indebtedness on	Value of Other Church Prop'ty	Money Expended for Churches and Parsonages.	Insurance Carried.	Premiums Paid.	No. Epw'th L'ges	No. of Epworth League M'bers.	Number of S. S.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	Number of Scholars.	Am't col. for Sunday Schools	Am't collected for Missions.	Amount collected on Children's Day.	Am't col. for Other Objects.	Total A'm't Raised in S. S.																	
Meridian ....	15	5916	6729	5687	173	339	311	121	63	78	65	58025 00	685 00	14	13175 00	955 00	26637 00	1310 35	15100 00	52 00	15	463	61	363	3142	591 41	222 15	89 23	96 85	896 47																				
Vicksburg ..	5	3733	3735	3662	59	197	220	87	46	39	40	66650 00	300 00	13	15950 00	200 00	26983 00	2789 00	9500 00	45 00	6	163	36	202	1684	504 31	134 74	87 80	71 90	800 46																				
Jackson ....	17	4265	4349	4269	110	79	176	41	66	32	47	75550 00	2900 00	13	13000 00	.....	2415 00	2048 40	12400 00	215 00	10	419	43	271	1920	401 74	116 26	96 74	164 88	625 77																				
Sea Shore ...	22	5488	6021	5865	317	292	423	176	72	63	61	58500 00	2068 00	17	14525 00	636 00	2330 00	3138 00	10150 00	14 75	5	172	61	347	2920	867 41	180 05	63 03	98 23	1201 83																				
Brookhaven ..	20	5188	6078	5995	59	359	345	118	72	55	54	59000 00	.....	16	14300 00	175 00	76767 00	6797 15	10500 00	100 85	6	190	47	257	2353	600 45	200 32	82 21	101 88	1105 84																				
Forest.....	31	6856	6872	6504	240	238	248	162	117	89	75	40725 00	270 00	17	9650 00	31 50	250 00	1396 20	1000 00	20 00	8	168	57	287	2559	332 27	76 60	60 20	127 15	581 22																				
Natchez ....	10	4732	4989	3545	137	125	273	125	70	53	46	61100 00	.....	*14	13650 00	295 00	930 00	1476 90	11100 00	118 50	7	215	41	244	1607	406 91	198 75	101 15	9 25	737 46																				
Total. ....	120	36278	38773	35228	1240	1839	1998	830	506	420	388	451550 00	6223 00	104	94250 00	2272 50	135912 00	18966 00	69750 00	566 15	57	1790	346	1971	16185	3704 50	1128 88	578 36	670 14	5949 05																				
Total last yr	117	36658	36821	35648	1860	1863	2416	963	795	433	389	406320 00	.....	107	89895 00	.....	143316 93	18938 70	69750 00	566 15	55	1647	346	2066	16800	3554 21	816 85	612 05	1373 89	6392 57																				
Increase ....	3	1952	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	51230 00	6223 00	.....	4355 00	2272 50	.....	27 30	.....	.....	2	43	.....	95	150 89	312 03	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....																	
Decrease ....	.....	380	.....	420	623	24	418	133	289	13	1	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	7404 93	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....																

\* Natchez, Value of District Pasonage \$1200.

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# FINANCIAL TABLES.

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# FINANCE.

## JACKSON DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGE.	Pres. Elder.		Pr'h'r in Ch'ge		Bishops.		Conf. Cl'm'nts		For. Missions		Dom. Missions		Church Extension		Education.		W.F. Miss Soc'y	W. H. Miss. Soc'y	Am. Bible Soc'y	Ex. Del. Gen. Conf.		Other Objects.	Total from all Sources.
	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Ass'd	Paid		
*Jackson, 1st Chu'h	\$ 240 00	\$ 240 00	\$1500 00	\$1500 00	\$40 00	\$40 00	\$ 140 00	\$ 140 00	\$ 240 00	\$ 240 00	\$ 100 00	\$ 100 00	\$80 00	\$80 00	\$71 00	\$71 00	\$ ....	\$ ....	\$19 00	\$ ....	\$ ....	\$520 00	\$3264 81
Jackson, Capitol St.	100 00	52 68	800 00	450 00	12 00	12 00	65 00	40 00	100 00	70 00	40 00	30 00	35 00	11 00	18 00	10 00	139 80	.....	20 00	.....	14 25	849 70	
Fannin .....	40 00	27 95	300 00	194 60	10 00	10 00	30 00	10 50	40 00	15 00	20 00	7 00	18 00	4 00	12 00	2 30	.....	9 95	1 50	.....	27 95	341 05	
Brandon .....	90 00	90 00	600 00	600 00	12 00	12 00	60 00	60 00	75 00	75 00	30 00	30 00	30 00	30 00	30 00	30 00	2 50	35 00	7 00	.....	308 97	1381 67	
Steen's Creek .....	80 00	71 00	605 00	483 00	12 00	12 00	60 00	46 00	75 00	50 00	30 00	10 00	27 00	15 00	25 00	5 00	.....	.....	2 50	.....	15 25	723 05	
Madison .....	80 00	58 95	600 00	442 90	12 00	9 45	60 00	33 00	90 00	45 00	35 00	21 50	30 00	10 00	20 00	10 00	.....	.....	3 25	.....	.....	634 05	
Canton .....	100 00	78 00	900 00	702 00	12 00	8 00	70 00	35 00	85 00	42 00	40 00	20 00	35 00	18 00	30 00	15 00	16 05	49 20	5 00	.....	.....	502 23	
Sharon.....	70 00	53 57	500 00	376 00	12 00	.....	30 00	15 00	50 00	13 60	25 00	6 00	20 00	2 00	15 00	3 00	.....	.....	2 00	.....	1 00	21 50	
Camden.....	80 00	80 00	600 00	600 00	12 00	12 70	60 00	30 00	85 00	35 00	25 00	25 00	28 00	10 00	20 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	105 00	852 70	
Tranquil.....	50 00	37 00	380 00	222 00	10 00	6 00	30 00	6 00	40 00	10 00	25 00	5 00	18 00	2 00	12 00	2 00	.....	.....	1 00	.....	66 00	697 00	
Silver Creek & B. L.	80 00	80 00	600 00	550 00	12 00	12 00	40 00	40 00	55 00	40 00	25 00	20 00	30 00	20 00	18 00	15 00	.....	.....	5 00	.....	40 00	822 00	
Lake City & Lodi..	80 00	55 65	600 00	417 20	12 00	11 60	40 00	30 00	55 00	10 00	25 00	7 00	30 00	1 00	18 00	1 80	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	577 70	
Yazoo City.....	200 00	200 00	1500 00	1200 00	25 00	25 00	115 00	115 00	150 00	150 00	85 00	80 00	45 00	30 00	35 00	20 00	.....	.....	40 00	.....	235 00	2325 00	
Yazoo Circuit.....	50 00	27 25	400 00	230 00	10 00	10 70	40 00	13 60	60 00	25 00	20 00	10 00	25 00	5 00	18 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 00	344 25	
Benton .....	90 00	71 45	660 00	565 40	12 00	.....	70 00	10 00	100 00	22 80	40 00	10 00	35 00	7 10	30 00	7 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	829 05	
Terry .....	70 00	49 30	500 00	352 70	10 00	6 25	40 00	16 00	55 00	21 00	25 00	2 70	25 00	1 00	15 00	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	148 50	607 15	
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Total .....	1500 00	1038 80	11045 00	7385 80	225 00	147 70	950 00	500 10	1355 00	624 40	600 00	284 20	511 00	166 10	387 00	126 10	158 35	104 15	88 25	.....	2 00	997 42	11980 27
Total last year	1475 00	1306 07	10330 00	8844 37	175 00	170 55	870 00	631 05	1305 00	857 80	540 00	374 00	514 00	266 50	284 00	134 65	.....	.....	94 10	54 50	26 50	611 67	16807 00
Increase.....	25 00	.....	715 00	.....	50	.....	80 00	.....	50 00	.....	60 00	.....	.....	.....	103 00	.....	158 35	104 35	.....	.....	.....	385 75	.....
Decrease .....	.....	267 27	1458 57	.....	22 85	.....	.....	130 95	.....	233 40	.....	89 80	.....	3 100 40	.....	8 55	.....	.....	5 85	54 50	24 50	.....	4824 15

\* Amounts paid do not appear in totals.

## VICKSBURG DISTRICT.

Vicksburg, C. Street	214 00	214 00	1500 00	1500 00	28 00	30 00	120 00	120 00	188 00	190 00	78 00	80 00	67 00	67 00	40 00	40 00	60 00	.....	30 00	.....	.....	349 63	2710 63
South Vicksburg...	42 00	40 00	300 00	256 00	4 00	4 00	20 00	20 00	32 00	32 00	17 00	17 00	12 00	7 00	8 00	5 00	.....	2 00	.....	.....	17 00	440 00	
Rolling Fork.....	120 00	72 00	800 00	700 00	12 00	12 00	48 00	18 00	82 00	26 00	37 00	10 00	31 00	10 00	20 00	5 50	75 00	5 00	.....	.....	459 00	1394 50	
Anguilla.....	65 00	.....	575 00	.....	8 00	8 00	32 00	.....	65 00	.....	28 00	.....	23 00	.....	17 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Mayersville.....	90 00	90 00	600 00	600 00	9 00	9 00	47 00	40 00	75 00	65 00	30 00	30 00	24 00	20 00	20 00	12 50	50 00	.....	5 00	.....	276 00	1197 50	
Warren .....	105 00	92 50	625 00	614 80	12 00	12 20	60 00	55 00	100 00	75 00	44 00	25 00	37 00	25 00	22 00	8 00	.....	.....	4 00	.....	8 85	892 15	
Satartia.....	105 00	75 00	600 00	465 50	12 00	10 05	56 00	20 00	101 00	25 00	42 00	13 00	36 00	10 00	21 00	6 00	.....	.....	5 00	.....	115 00	2443 55	
South Warren.....	74 00	31 90	600 00	249 00	8 00	5 55	40 00	15 00	73 00	12 00	33 00	6 00	26 00	5 00	14 00	3 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	316 45	
Edwards .....	100 00	62 50	800 00	495 35	14 00	14 00	50 00	50 00	90 00	90 00	39 00	39 00	45 00	13 00	21 00	8 00	17 35	.....	.....	.....	.....	2581 95	
Bolton.....	107 00	91 50	733 00	624 45	12 00	12 00	56 00	43 80	101 00	77 00	42 00	33 30	37 00	27 05	21 00	14 55	38 25	.....	8 30	.....	11 20	1031 20	
Utica.....	120 00	91 60	700 00	551 80	14 00	15 50	64 00	26 50	112 00	47 00	56 00	23 00	47 00	19 00	23 00	9 60	.....	83 00	5 00	.....	112 00	1027 50	
Rocky Springs.....	75 00	51 85	500 00	350 00	8 00	8 00	40 00	15 00	71 00	15 00	34 00	10 00	28 00	2 00	13 00	.....	3 00	.....	.....	.....	70 00	512 85	

Hermanville.....	86 00	76 05	600 00	532 50	10 00	10 00	48 00	30 00	82 00	30 00	37 00	15 00	30 00	7 00	18 00	7 00	19 95	47 08	5 00	.....	.....	101 80	881 38
Flora.....	90 00	80 50	550 00	478 65	10 00	10 00	55 00	34 65	87 00	54 80	38 00	23 95	31 00	19 55	19 00	12 00	.....	.....	5 05	.....	.....	9 50	728 65
Port Gibson.....	107 00	90 50	800 00	720 00	14 00	14 00	64 00	40 00	100 00	93 00	45 00	30 00	37 00	5 00	24 00	5 00	87 43	102 00	9 35	.....	.....	.....	1356 48
Total.....	1500 00	1159 90	9883 00	8138 05	175 00	176 30	800 00	527 95	1355 00	811 80	600 00	355 25	511 00	236 60	301 00	136 65	347 98	242 08	16 70	.....	.....	1539 98	17514 79
Total last year..	1500 00	1280 70	10633 00	9057 22	175 00	175 00	800 00	653 75	1310 00	961 50	550 00	392 45	512 00	331 70	274 00	167 15	.....	.....	106 65	57 00	33 70	1471 15	16340 90
Increase.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 30	.....	.....	40 00	.....	50 00	.....	.....	.....	27 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	68 83	1173 89
Decrease.....	.....	120 50	750 00	919 17	.....	.....	.....	125 80	.....	149 70	.....	37 20	1	95 10	.....	30 50	.....	.....	29 95	.....	.....	.....	.....

### MERIDIAN DISTRICT.

Meridian, Central..	330 00	273 39	1800 00	1550 00	44 00	44 00	184 00	125 00	263 00	170 00	117 00	90 00	100 00	43 00	75 00	5 00	198 00	.....	44 00	6 00	6 00	185 00	2301 30
Meridian, East End	90 00	90 00	600 00	600 00	12 00	12 00	50 00	50 00	72 00	74 00	32 00	32 00	27 00	27 00	20 00	20 00	5 00	96 00	10 00	2 00	2 00	150 00	1168 90
Meridian, West End	125 00	78 08	800 00	499 72	16 00	16 00	65 00	65 00	85 00	53 50	39 00	32 50	35 00	35 00	28 00	17 34	37 34	42 10	5 00	2 00	2 00	5 00	888 58
Meridian, S. Side...	53 00	42 20	412 00	327 10	7 00	7 00	30 00	20 00	41 00	21 00	19 00	19 00	16 00	16 00	12 00	3 50	67 00	.....	1 00	1 00	1 00	.....	932 90
DeKalb.....	100 00	76 00	610 00	463 10	13 00	13 00	56 00	16 00	80 00	27 40	35 00	13 15	30 00	5 00	23 00	3 00	.....	.....	3 00	2 00	2 05	.....	732 40
Binnsville.....	65 00	46 20	485 00	314 40	9 00	9 00	36 00	11 80	60 00	21 75	23 00	9 50	23 00	1 50	15 00	.....	.....	.....	1 00	1 00	.....	.....	577 05
Porterville.....	55 00	36 70	280 00	188 90	7 00	7 00	32 00	2 50	44 00	5 00	20 00	2 00	17 00	2 50	13 00	.....	.....	.....	1 00	1 00	.....	.....	244 67
Lauderdale.....	100 00	100 00	500 00	500 00	13 00	13 05	56 00	56 00	80 00	50 00	35 00	22 00	30 00	20 00	23 00	13 00	.....	104 37	.....	2 00	2 00	103 40	983 82
Vimville.....	50 00	37 20	400 00	263 90	7 00	7 00	28 00	10 20	40 00	10 20	18 00	4 00	15 00	2 50	11 00	.....	.....	.....	1 00	1 00	1 00	76 90	443 95
North Kemper.....	50 00	40 50	350 00	283 95	7 00	7 00	28 00	10 00	40 00	10 00	18 00	4 00	15 00	3 00	13 00	2 00	.....	.....	1 00	1 00	1 00	230 65	598 75
Daleville.....	75 00	63 75	500 00	425 05	10 00	10 00	42 00	25 00	60 00	30 00	26 00	13 75	23 00	11 50	17 00	8 50	7 00	.....	3 50	1 00	1 00	45 95	658 97
Enterprise & S'wall	100 00	100 00	700 00	700 00	13 00	13 00	56 00	48 00	80 00	50 00	35 00	25 00	30 00	15 00	23 00	10 00	105 00	.....	5 00	2 00	2 00	120 00	1293 50
Pachuta.....	100 00	85 00	600 00	525 00	13 00	13 00	56 00	35 00	75 00	20 00	35 00	10 00	26 00	8 00	23 00	5 00	.....	.....	2 00	2 00	2 00	.....	1019 00
Shubuta.....	125 00	125 00	800 00	800 00	17 00	17 00	70 00	70 00	110 00	110 00	48 00	48 00	38 00	38 00	28 00	28 00	132 00	.....	12 00	2 40	2 40	48 00	1436 80
Mathersville.....	64 00	34 85	480 00	266 70	8 00	8 02	40 00	40 00	51 00	21 00	23 00	7 00	20 00	6 00	14 00	7 00	.....	.....	4 00	1 00	1 00	.....	394 55
Energy.....	40 00	25 20	290 00	182 72	5 00	5 00	22 00	5 00	32 00	6 75	14 00	5 50	12 00	2 00	9 00	1 50	.....	.....	80	1 00	1 00	.....	234 17
Waynesboro & S. L.	128 00	106 30	800 00	678 50	17 00	17 05	71 00	45 00	102 00	57 00	45 00	27 00	38 00	19 00	29 00	14 00	68 00	.....	6 00	3 00	3 00	204 00	1578 80
Wayne Mission.....	5 00	5 00	100 00	87 60	1 00	1 00	3 00	3 00	4 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	50	.....	.....	50	.....	.....	.....	153 60
Winchester.....	45 00	28 70	370 00	243 85	6 00	6 25	25 00	8 50	36 00	10 00	16 00	5 50	14 00	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	1 00	1 00	1 00	.....	304 55
Total.....	1700 00	1357 57	10877 00	8900 19	225 00	225 37	950 00	646 00	1355 00	749 60	600 00	371 72	511 00	256 00	387 00	139 34	619 34	242 47	99 80	32 40	32 45	1168 90	14893 36
Total last year..	1520 00	1204 29	8341 50	7011 76	152 00	152 53	681 00	445 55	1106 00	647 18	406 00	270 55	439 00	108 95	248 00	124 20	.....	.....	47 80	89 00	48 85	1520 22	14622 67
Increase.....	180 00	153 28	35 50	1888 43	73 00	72 84	268 00	200 45	249 00	102 42	194 00	101 17	72 00	147 05	135 00	15 14	.....	.....	52 00	.....	.....	.....	270 69
Decrease.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	56 60	16 40	351 32	.....

### FOREST DISTRICT.

Forest	95 00	95 00	600 00	600 00	10 00	10 00	50 00	18 00	80 00	32 00	40 00	14 00	20 00	8 50	20 00	8 50	.....	.....	3 15	.....	.....	60 00	1490 60
Morton	75 00	68 80	500 00	457 95	10 00	10 00	45 00	45 50	65 00	65 50	25 00	25 55	20 00	20 00	16 00	16 00	6 00	.....	6 00	.....	132 75	853 05	
Hillsboro	50 00	34 13	250 00	170 65	5 00	2 35	35 00	6 55	50 00	9 10	25 00	4 55	15 00	2 00	10 00	1 85	.....	.....	1 50	.....	60 00	309 23	
Walnut Grove	70 00	53 25	450 00	372 32	8 00	4 00	35 00	15 00	55 00	5 25	30 00	6 00	15 00	50	12 00	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	456 92		
Shiloh	70 00	70 00	390 00	405 50	10 00	10 00	35 00	35 00	65 00	67 00	25 00	26 00	20 00	21 00	15 00	15 00	.....	.....	6 00	.....	11 25	1143 17	
Clarksburg	55 00	31 04	225 00	133 38	5 00	.....	25 00	2 90	50 00	5 80	20 00	2 30	13 00	1 50	7 00	80	.....	.....	70	.....	6 00	170 42	
Trenton	65 00	56 85	410 00	358 45	8 00	7 35	40 00	22 00	55 00	36 05	30 00	15 00	15 00	7 00	12 00	6 00	.....	.....	2 00	.....	14 70	525 40	
Raleigh	75 00	60 30	500 00	425 30	8 00	8 00	35 00	13 00	60 00	24 00	30 00	12 00	15 00	6 00	15 00	5 00	.....	.....	1 30	.....	252 60	809 20	
Mont Rose	65 00	46 00	460 00	300 00	8 00	9 00	45 00	45 00	60 00	20 00	30 00	10 00	20 00	10 00	15 00	3 00	20 25	20 40	2 00	.....	12 75	578 40	
Lake	85 00	81 35	600 00	580 55	10 00	10 00	50 00	50 00	75 00	55 00	25 00	20 00	20 00	12 00	17 00	6 00	.....	.....	2 50	.....	102 45	989 50	
Newton & Hickory	110 00	110 00	800 00	800 00	12 00	12 00	65 00	65 00	100 00	100 00	45 00	45 00	25 00	25 00	20 00	20 00	.....	.....	10 00	.....	1187 00		

# FOREST DISTRICT—CONTINUED.

Decatur .....	70 00	41 00	400 00	283 00	8 00	3 55	35 00	20 00	65 00	25 00	30 00	5 00	20 00	10 00	10 00	5 00	.....	.....	3 60	.....	.....	980 70
Carthage .....	70 00	44 00	550 00	345 19	10 00	.....	45 00	14 65	70 00	15 00	30 00	10 00	20 00	5 00	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 00	436 84
Chunkey .....	50 00	35 20	300 00	211 00	6 00	6 00	35 00	6 23	50 00	12 40	15 00	6 20	15 00	70	10 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	173 57	455 60
Rose Hill .....	80 00	53 50	500 00	333 50	10 00	9 00	50 00	8 00	75 00	53 00	25 00	11 00	22 00	4 00	15 00	2 00	8 00	10 00	3 00	.....	.....	501 05
Vossburg .....	70 00	62 00	450 00	398 25	6 00	6 00	40 00	40 00	70 00	30 00	35 00	10 50	25 00	5 50	17 00	5 00	.....	.....	3 50	.....	39 75	600 00
Heidelberg .....	70 00	57 70	430 00	354 53	6 00	1 15	40 00	10 00	65 00	8 00	30 00	3 25	20 00	60	17 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	435 23	
Neshoba & Mission .....	75 00	75 00	400 00	384 00	10 00	10 00	45 00	10 00	65 00	15 00	30 00	10 00	20 00	4 00	15 00	4 00	.....	.....	2 00	.....	133 40	647 40
Indian mission .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 50	.....	2 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	189 37	
Total .....	1300 00	1075 12	8215 00	6913 57	150 00	118 40	750 00	426 88	1175 00	580 60	520 00	238 85	340 00	143 30	258 00	98 65	39 25	30 40	47 25	.....	1002 22	12759 08
Total last year .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Decrease .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Increase .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	

# BROOKHAVEN DISTRICT.

Brookhaven .....	90 00	90 00	800 00	800 00	13 00	13 00	59 00	59 00	91 00	91 00	40 00	40 00	34 00	34 00	22 00	22 00	35 00	.....	10 00	.....	.....	413 87	1701 37
Magnolia & O....	90 00	61 65	700 00	441 05	13 00	16 00	60 00	60 00	90 00	20 00	40 00	15 35	34 00	7 00	23 00	2 00	.....	61 70	13 25	.....	.....	38 25	5736 15
China Grove.....	70 00	61 88	550 00	471 17	10 00	11 00	46 00	21 00	70 00	30 00	30 00	10 00	36 00	8 00	16 00	4 00	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	164 88	773 04
Whitestown .....	35 00	.....	465 00	.....	5 00	.....	22 00	.....	35 00	.....	14 00	.....	12 00	.....	8 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
McComb City .....	125 00	125 00	1000 00	1000 00	19 00	19 00	84 00	84 00	125 00	64 71	56 00	14 40	46 00	8 61	32 00	6 34	.....	.....	16 00	.....	.....	.....	1428 06
Summit & T .....	75 00	63 00	600 00	600 00	11 00	11 00	50 00	40 00	75 00	60 00	34 00	27 00	32 00	21 00	19 00	12 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	233 50	957 50
Bogue Chitto .....	65 00	64 00	500 00	487 90	10 00	10 00	45 00	45 00	66 00	66 00	29 00	29 00	25 00	25 00	17 00	17 00	.....	.....	6 50	.....	.....	6 85	756 75
Pleasant Grove....	30 00	16 75	400 00	206 50	5 00	5 65	20 00	2 40	30 00	6 00	14 00	8 50	11 00	1 75	8 00	1 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	821 45
Gallman .....	50 00	51 20	510 00	525 00	8 00	8 75	36 00	36 00	51 00	51 00	24 00	24 00	20 00	20 00	14 00	14 00	20 70	.....	6 00	.....	.....	330 20	1162 00
Crystal Springs....	90 00	90 00	900 00	900 00	13 00	13 00	59 00	59 00	91 00	91 00	40 00	40 00	34 00	34 00	23 00	23 00	30 65	.....	9 00	.....	.....	120 70	1537 15
Mt. Carmel .....	85 00	75 00	400 00	360 00	13 00	13 00	57 00	10 00	85 00	75 00	38 00	5 00	31 00	5 00	22 00	2 00	.....	.....	3 00	.....	.....	95 00	617 00
Westville .....	45 00	26 00	540 00	265 00	7 00	7 00	28 00	20 00	45 00	15 00	18 00	7 00	15 00	6 00	11 00	3 00	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	2 00	353 00
Caseyville.....	85 00	65 00	576 25	440 55	13 00	13 00	57 00	21 00	85 00	30 00	38 00	13 70	32 00	11 00	22 00	7 00	.....	.....	3 00	.....	.....	.....	604 25
Adams .....	85 00	47 50	600 00	335 70	13 00	8 15	57 00	27 50	85 00	27 50	38 00	2 50	32 00	2 50	22 00	2 50	.....	.....	2 50	.....	.....	.....	456 35
Wesson .....	115 00	98 25	1000 00	830 99	16 00	16 00	77 00	77 00	115 00	115 00	51 00	30 00	43 00	25 00	29 00	16 50	34 60	92 14	13 00	.....	.....	100 00	1681 37
North Wesson .....	25 00	16 20	250 00	152 50	4 00	4 00	17 00	5 05	25 00	9 00	11 00	11 00	9 00	.....	7 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	465 65	
Providence .....	75 00	60 10	500 00	400 15	11 00	14 30	50 00	40 10	75 00	42 00	34 00	23 30	32 00	8 50	19 00	5 00	16 00	.....	4 60	.....	.....	614 05	
Hazelhurst .....	90 00	78 55	800 00	700 00	12 00	12 00	59 00	59 00	91 00	60 00	40 00	30 00	34 00	18 00	23 00	12 00	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	180 20	1182 00
Martinsville.....	25 00	19 25	185 00	142 40	4 00	4 00	17 00	5 00	25 00	6 00	11 00	6 00	9 00	3 00	7 00	2 00	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	12 00	200 65
Total .....	1350 00	1109 33	11276 25	9058 91	200 00	198 85	895 00	671 05	1354 00	859 21	580 00	336 75	491 00	238 36	344 00	151 84	136 95	153 84	101 85	67 00	40 90	1697 45	21047 79
Total last year .....	1343 00	1218 97	9602 50	9434 33	175 00	175 00	875 00	685 70	1355 00	893 63	550 00	392 30	512 00	324 65	279 00	174 24	.....	.....	198 20	.....	.....	2491 07	17946 59
Increase .....	7 00	.....	1673 75	.....	25 00	23 85	20 00	.....	.....	.....	30 00	.....	.....	.....	65 00	.....	139 95	153 84	.....	.....	.....	.....	3101 20
Decrease .....	.....	109 64	.....	375 42	.....	.....	.....	14 65	1 00	34 42	.....	55 55	21 00	86 29	.....	22 40	.....	.....	96 35	.....	.....	793 62	.....

# NATCHEZ DISTRICT.

Natchez, Jeff'son St	173 00	146 35	1200 00	1015 30	30 00	30 00	135 00	114 20	180 00	152 35	75 00	63 45	50 00	42 30	50 00	42 30	95 60	5 00	16 90	10 00	10 00	894 00	2627 70
“ Wesley Chap	56 00	37 00	365 00	243 00	7 00	7 00	40 00	19 45	55 00	38 65	25 00	17 50	18 00	5 00	15 00	4 00	7 00	.....	4 00	3 00	1 00	114 15	490 75
Washington .....	56 00	51 30	475 00	435 20	10 00	10 00	43 00	20 00	60 00	26 00	29 00	12 00	20 00	4 00	16 00	3 00	.....	6 75	.....	.....	.....	15 00	752 75
Fayette .....	117 00	92 00	800 00	644 10	18 00	15 75	89 00	27 50	123 00	70 00	54 00	20 00	35 00	8 30	35 00	8 40	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	887 30	
Barlow .....	70 00	51 00	500 00	340 00	13 00	10 00	54 00	15 00	75 00	15 00	34 00	10 00	25 00	3 00	21 00	1 50	.....	1 25	.....	.....	.....	1 65	448 40
Roxie .....	60 00	41 70	500 00	350 00	10 00	10 00	44 00	15 00	65 00	15 00	30 00	10 00	20 00	5 00	17 00	4 00	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	105 00	557 70
Amite .....	70 00	34 05	600 00	214 70	12 00	10 00	54 00	15 00	75 00	19 00	34 00	14 00	22 00	.....	20 00	.....	.....	3 20	.....	.....	.....	4 00	305 90
Gloster .....	103 00	60 00	600 00	340 70	15 00	8 05	75 00	44 00	106 00	58 00	45 00	24 00	28 00	15 00	25 00	13 50	.....	5 50	.....	.....	.....	39 80	918 55
Centerville .....	107 00	96 00	700 00	628 00	18 00	16 30	80 00	44 00	113 00	58 88	48 00	25 50	30 00	15 00	33 00	15 00	.....	6 00	7 00	3 50	275 10	1183 18	
Wilkinson .....	56 00	28 35	344 00	197 00	10 00	6 65	43 00	7 00	60 00	5 00	29 00	5 00	18 00	1 35	16 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00	271 35
Woodville .....	107 00	107 00	650 00	650 00	18 00	13 25	85 00	30 00	113 00	40 00	49 00	20 00	30 00	15 00	32 00	12 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	81 30	1150 07
Percy Creek .....	70 00	60 00	450 00	385 45	12 00	8 55	50 00	30 00	75 00	50 00	32 00	16 00	20 00	10 00	19 00	5 50	.....	6 00	.....	1 50	91 35	678 15	
Meadville .....	75 00	54 00	450 00	324 00	14 00	9 37	58 00	19 00	80 00	15 00	36 00	10 00	24 00	4 00	22 00	2 00	20 00	.....	1 00	.....	.....	50 00	700 00
*Harriston .....	80 00	80 00	660 00	640 00	13 00	13 10	50 00	50 00	85 00	85 00	40 00	40 00	30 00	20 00	20 00	15 00	.....	15 00	.....	.....	.....	42 00	1000 00
Total .....	1200 00	942 75	7634 00	5767 45	200 00	167 82	900 00	400 15	1265 00	562 88	560 00	247 95	370 00	127 95	341 00	112 20	127 60	5 00	54 60	20 00	15 00	1791 35	10971 83
Total last year	1200 00	965 75	6885 00	6225 25	165 00	163 40	750 00	520 20	1035 00	681 50	400 00	194 95	319 00	180 20	263 00	139 05	.....	.....	85 95	60 00	29 35	1999 70	11514 65
Increase .....	.....	.....	749 00	.....	35 00	4 42	150 00	.....	230 00	.....	160 00	53 00	5 00	.....	78 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Decrease .....	.....	13 00	.....	457 80	.....	.....	.....	120 05	.....	118 62	.....	.....	.....	52 25	.....	26 85	.....	.....	31 35	40 00	14 55	207 35	532 82

\* Not included in totals.

# SEASHORE DISTRICT.

Moss Point	160 00	160 00	1000 00	1000 00	20 00	20 00	75 00	75 00	140 00	140 00	55 00	55 00	43 00	43 00	34 00	34 00			19 00	2 00	2 00		1548 00
Lumberton & P....	150 00	150 00	900 00	900 00	12 00	12 00	65 00	65 00	90 00	90 00	35 00	35 00	30 00	7 50	20 00	5 00		3 22	5 00	2 00		40 00	2109 50
Pearlington	130 00		750 00		10 00		65 00	65 00	90 00	90 00	34 00	34 00	25 00	25 00	17 00	17 00			7 00	2 00			1394 50
Hattiesburg	160 00	160 00	1000 00	1000 00	20 00	20 00	76 00	76 00	140 00	140 00	55 00	55 00	43 00	43 00	34 00	34 00			40 00	3 65	3 65	436 40	2157 25
Columbia	105 00	86 15	550 00	434 80	10 00	10 00	55 00	18 00	70 00	20 00	25 00	4 00	26 00	4 00	16 00	1 00			1 00	2 00		80	772 20
Bay St. Louis	100 00	76 35	700 00	534 35	8 00	8 00	60 00	35 00	60 00	35 00	25 00	20 00	21 00	21 00	18 00	10 00	25 00	30 00	5 00	2 00	1 00		924 40
Biloxi	50 00	50 00	500 00	500 00	7 00	7 00	30 00	31 00	35 00	10 00	20 00	15 00	15 00	5 00	13 00	2 50		250 00	3 00	2 00		175 00	1048 50
Ocean Springs & G	50 00	22 60	400 00	268 95	7 00	7 00	25 00	16 00	30 00	4 00	25 00	3 35	15 00		10 00		47 57		2 00			23 06	393 03
Gulf Port	50 00	48 92	300 00	293 56	4 00	4 00	20 00	15 00	30 00	16 00	10 00	6 00	12 00	6 55	8 00	4 00			2 00	2 00	2 00		419 63
Americus	60 00	57 00	312 00	284 50	9 00	9 00	20 00	6 00	40 00	6 00	20 00	5 00	15 00	2 00	16 00	2 00			2 00	2 00			395 75
Escatawpa	60 00	60 00	425 00	440 00	7 00	8 00	20 00	16 00	40 00	14 00	20 00	10 00	15 00	3 00	15 00				2 00			30 00	806 00
Whittington	70 00	42 85	400 00	257 15	8 00		35 00	14 00	45 00	18 00	20 00	8 00	14 00	5 60	9 00	3 00			1 00	2 00			506 60
Purvis	60 00	43 80	375 00	267 50	8 00	4 10	32 00	19 25	49 00	25 00	28 00	15 00	11 00	5 50	13 00	4 50			5 25	2 00	1 00	60 20	451 10
Galloway	60 00	41 55	440 00	341 80	4 00	4 00	30 00	15 00	35 00	11 00	20 00	10 00	12 00	2 00	22 00				2 00	2 00	2 00	150 00	577 35
Ellisville & Laurel	125 00	125 00	800 00	800 00	12 00	12 00	67 00	67 00	100 00	100 00	43 00	43 00	22 00	22 00	16 00	22 00		20 00	7 00	2 00	2 00		2194 56
Vancleave	80 00	24 43	400 00	300 00	10 00	10 00	45 00	25 00	70 00	10 00	35 00	10 00	20 00	5 00	11 00				1 00	2 00			381 00
Williamsburg	50 00	36 90	350 00	258 35	7 00	7 00	35 00	28 00	45 00	30 00	22 00	16 00	12 00	8 00	6 00	7 00			4 00	2 00		49 81	424 06
Leaksville	40 00	24 43	310 00	171 16	6 00	6 00	21 00	4 20	30 00	10 00	13 00	7 00	8 00		7 00	1 45			1 00	2 00		43 55	268 79
Fuller	40 00	20 00	295 00	147 50	6 00	6 00	24 00	6 00	36 00	9 00	15 00	3 75	8 00	2 00	7 00	1 75			1 00	2 00			197 00
Total	1600 00	1229 98	10207 00	8200 62	175 00	154 10	800 00	596 45	1175 00	778 00	520 00	355 10	367 00	210 15	301 00	149 20	25 00	669 57	101 25	39 65	13 65	1166 47	18268 72
Total last year	1325 00	1085 65	8084 00	6724 60	150 00	126 00	675 00	480 75	1000 00	723 20	414 00	270 00	341 28	198 00	242 00	110 85			87 25	51 80	22 20	1836 95	13308 83
Increase	275 00	144 33	2123 00	1476 02	25 00	28 10	125 00	115 70	175 00	54 80	106 00	85 10	25 72	12 15	58 00	38 35			14 00		8 55		4959 89
Decrease																			13 15			670 48	

# RECAPITULATION TABLE.

## FINANCE, MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE, 1898.

Name of District.	Pres. Elder.		Pr'h'r in Ch'ge		Bishops.		Conf. Cl'm'nts		For. Missions		Dom. Missions		Church Extension		Education.		W. F. Miss Soc'y	W. H. Miss. Soc'y	Am. Bible Soc'y	Ex. Del. Gen. Conf.		Other Objects.	Total from all Sources.
	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Ass'd	Paid		
Vicksburg ..	1500 00	1159 90	9883 00	8138 05	175 00	176 30	800 00	527 95	1355 00	811 80	600 00	355 25	511 00	236 60	301 00	136 65	347 98	242 08	76 70	.....	.....	1539 98	17514 79
Jackson ....	1500 00	1038 80	11045 00	7385 80	225 00	147 70	950 00	500 10	1355 00	624 40	600 00	284 20	511 00	166 10	387 00	126 10	158 35	104 15	88 25	.....	2 00	997 42	11980 27
Forest.....	1300 00	1075 12	8215 00	6913 57	150 00	118 40	750 00	426 88	1175 00	580 60	520 00	238 85	340 00	143 30	258 00	98 65	39 25	30 40	47 25	.....	.....	1002 22	12759 08
Meridian....	1700 00	1348 18	10877 00	8900 19	225 00	225 05	950 00	646 00	1355 00	749 60	600 00	371 72	511 00	256 00	387 00	139 34	619 34	242 47	99 80	24 40	26 45	1168 90	14893 36
Sea Shore ...	1600 00	1229 98	10207 00	8200 62	175 00	154 10	800 00	596 45	1175 00	778 00	520 00	355 10	367 00	210 15	301 00	149 20	25 00	669 57	101 25	39 65	13 65	1166 47	18268 72
Brookhaven	1350 00	1109 33	11276 25	9058 91	200 00	198 85	895 00	671 05	1354 00	859 21	580 00	336 75	491 00	238 36	344 00	151 84	136 95	153 84	101 85	.....	.....	1697 45	21047 97
Natchez ....	1200 00	942 75	7634 00	5767 45	200 00	167 82	900 00	400 15	1265 00	562 88	560 00	247 95	370 00	127 95	341 00	112 20	127 60	5 00	54 60	20 00	15 00	1791 35	10971 83
Total. ....	10150 00	7904 06	69137 05	54364 59	1350 00	1188 22	6045 00	3768 58	9034 00	4966 49	3980 00	2189 82	3101 00	1378 46	2319 00	913 98	1454 47	1447 51	569 70	84 05	53 30	9363 79	107436 02
Total last yr	10820 40	9025 72	69557 50	59924 83	1297 05	1261 48	6009 95	4605 48	9065 95	5936 35	3661 95	2353 13	3120 98	1677 35	2078 15	1078 39	.....	.....	772 80	475 10	242 25	11299 16	113968 98
Increase ....	.....	.....	.....	.....	52 95	.....	35 05	.....	.....	.....	318 05	.....	.....	.....	240 85	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Decrease....	670 40	1121 66	420 45	5560 24	.....	73 26	.....	836 90	31 95	969 86	.....	163 31	19 98	298 89	.....	164 41	.....	.....	202 90	391 05	188 95	1935 47	6532 96